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High Street businesses head for Welsh awards



Helen Huggins of Beautiful Lily Florist (left) and Debbie Burton-Slocombe of Aspirations UK have been nominated in The Welsh Independent Retail Awards.

will not be beaten on any writte

businesses in Barry have been nominated in the top 10 finalists in the 'The Welsh Independent Retail Awards'.

It is huge boost for the area at a time when there are concerns about the impact of online shopping on local retail businesses across the

Aspirations UK at 104 High Street has been nominated in the furniture category and Beautiful Lily Florist at 92 High Street has been nominated in the independent business category

Burton-Slocombe and her husband Glyn Slocombe, who own Aspirations UK, and Helen Huggins of Beautiful Lily will be attending the awards ceremony at The Exchange

humble to have been nominated I didn't know about the awards. The voting took place in December and we got a call to say we'd been nominated.

Aspirations UK is an official stockist of eco-friendly Frenchic furniture paint and has a strong environmental

Debbie explained: "We live in a throwaway society and we sell furniture which has been up-cycled to a professional finish. It means fewer items in landfill and less waste."
The business also

hosts painting classes for people wanting to breathe new life into old furniture.

Helen Huggins was named 'Welsh Florist of the Year' at the Welsh Wedding Awards last

Monday, April 15. She said: "I can't Debbie said: "I feel thank my customers enough. After winning Welsh Florist of the Year 2018, I never in a million years had thought I'd be up for another award.

> "I received an email and phone call a week ago which took me by surprise because my friend Debbie from Aspirations UK had informed me she had been nominated for an award.

"After much excitement we realised we have both been nominated for different categories in the top 10 independent business awards.

"We are delighted to be sharing special awards evening together.

'Amazing' public finds Stoffel!



Alida, Gregg, and Stoffel the beagle,

A Barry's couple's despair at losing their beagle turned to joy hadn't and we realised Stoffel was when they found him less than 48 hours after he went missing thanks to help from the public.

Alida Jones told The GEM: "We were overwhelmed with offers of

Mrs Jones and her husband Gregg, who live in Broad Street, were devastated when five-year-old Stoffel

vanished on Monday, February 25.
Mrs Jones explained: "Gregg got home from work and wondered where he was. He thought maybe I had taken set off to find him.

"I was still at work, and said no I missing

"I cried like a baby

"He'd broken through his 'doggy door' which leads to the back garden.

"It's closed during the day.

Stoffel had climbed over the wall and into the lane at the back.

The couple think he may have been chasing a cat.

When Mrs Jones returned home, the couple took his lead and harness and

Parking machine problems at Barry Island - turn to page 3 for the full story.



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Reader asks for clarification over event licensing

WAS extremely surprised read the _to notice on the railings of Romilly Park regarding a premises licence request for events at the above park.

I have lived at the

above address since 1968 and have enjoyed numerous events at the park, including the now defunct horse and flower show, and still going strong - the Scouts' Fete. The said notice lists films, live music, recorded music, performances of dance and anything similar.

The piece de resistance: the sale of alcohol, and the times mentioned: Sunday Saturday 1000 to 2330hrs. Yes, Sunday Saturday; is that a whole week?

This is a residential area and I have had no problems with the few events we have had over the years, but this list of entertainments seems rather excessive. The notification I had posted through my door from Mack Events suggests a figure eventually up to 6,999; that would entail rather a large amount of traffic. Where will it all go?

I await your reply.

Mrs Dinah M Thomas, Barry. The GEM contacted the organisers, who responded:

We are really glad this has been pointed out; the application is generic and we have absolutely no plans to put on things such as live films, plays, or

dance performances. "Also, we will not be

holding any events until 11.30pm.

"It's the way the application is written when you see it, it looks like we have plans to put on multiple events until late in the evening, that is definitely not the

"We only have plans for one weekend a vear, and We finish at 9pm on Saturday and Sunday and are actually finishing even earlier this year on the Friday at 8.30pm.

"The reason for the application is so we hold the licence and we can increase the capac ity slightly, but we will make sure everything is done in the correct manner

The GEM also asked for clarification from the Vale Council.

Cllr Hunter Jarvie. Cabinet Member for Legal and Regulatory Services, said: "We have received an application to licence Romilly Park seven days a week rather than just for GlastonBARRY as a specific event and are currently conducting a public consultation exercise on the matter.

"Some resident representations have already been received and the views of all other interested parties are invited before the closing date of March

13.
"All opinions will be given full consideration before a Licensing Sub-Committee makes a decision on the application.

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n defence of

Morganwg by Mr Jeffrey Bird in last week's GEM, I would like to respond:

You dismiss him as a fraudster. A fraudster is a person who deceives others for personal profit. Whilst Iolo embroidered Welsh history, he never did so for money.

In extending and developing Welsh national mythology he was following in a fine line of poets/ historians who have embellished the history of all nations in the cause of creating national identity.

I submit Mallory re-inventing King Arthur, Thomas Cromwell re-inventing European tradition, Walter Scott creating tartan Rob Roy La Villemarqué revising Breton mythology or Napoleon III re-creating Vercingetorix as a symbol of French heroism. The list is long and fascinating

'Hoping for change for the better'

Jackson place. Amy .('We do not want her sort in The GEM, Feb 28).

Firstly you state you welcome different views and opinions, but obviously upset by my negative comments on the town, you saw fit to become personal and

'My sort' is entitled to express a view on a place I reside in.

'My sort' also views things through a different pair of eyes.

'My sort' hopes my negative comments prompt positive action to benefit all residents across the board, which include older residents who may not have access to a vehicle or shop online. I can only assume Amy Jackson has the benefit of both

Holton Road does not have two butchers or two greengrocers, nor does it have a baker for fresh bread. Old Barry, Cadoxton, has nothing at all, hence the town is the nearest port of call.

Barry Island has been fortunate to have a lot of money ploughed into the area, plus the upgrade of the funfair has made it

response to a pleasant and thriving

This week has seen the demise of yet another business: Sylvesters is no more. But hey ho, down by Halfords on Barry Waterfront we are being treated to yet another takeaway in the form of Burger King and a Costa Coffee house. I certainly can't contain my excitement on that

Perhaps where Sylvesters stood, instead of a block of flats we could have a proper cinema to replace the one we were robbed of; but personally I would far rather see the valued shop of Sylvesters providing us with our DIY, without having to travel distances for our requirements.

'My sort' may not be welcome by the likes of Amy Jackson, but 'my sort' is not leaving.

'My sort' will always have an opinion that is not in line with other people, and hopes it will hit a nerve that will promote change for the better... but I am not holding my breath on that one because some believe all our needs are provided for in the town.

Anne Usher, Barry

N the light of comments made about Iolo and Iolo's imaginings have an honourable place The Iolo Morganwg you dismiss as a mere 'fraudster' achieved:

· The recording and preservation of scores of C19th Welsh folk tunes and lyrics which are now a vital part of Welsh culture.

· The discovery and conservation of the manuscripts of Wales' great medieval poets from the decaying libraries of the C18th nobility.

• The composition and communication of a Welsh national narrative that sustained Welsh identity and language through the fierce anti-Welsh attacks of the C19th

· The foundation of the Gorsedd of Bards, the first Welsh national institution since the time of Owain Glyndwr, which in turn provided the springboard for the creation of the National Library and Universities.

. The discovery and preservation of ancient Glamorgan artefacts including the Samson stone in St Illtud's church, Llantwit Maior.

· The foundation of the first fair trade shop in Britain.

A tireless campaign against slavery.Significant contributions to the development of the radical and peace movements in Wales

• The collection and coining of new (and still

current) words in the Welsh language to reflect developments in Western European politics and philosophy.

• The active representation of underprivileged individuals in the Vale against the tyranny of the Poor Law overseers.

· The creation of many fine poems in English and Welsh, together with 3,000 hymns.

· Many fine pieces of monumental sculpture in Glamorgan, Bristol and London. He is worthy of our respect.

Gareth Thomas St Hilary

'Farewell to store'

store closing after network such a very long Brothers, however, time serving the people of Barry, my adopted home town.

Silver Star was a iewel and an inspiration in our town. It was run as a competitive business and survived all the competition that was thrown at it.

Tony Wason opened in Barry a few years ago and as soon as Focus DIY appeared on the scene, or shortly afterwards, Tony decided to throw the towel - but the Sylvester Brothers decided to carry on

They eventually were able to see off Focus

T is so sad to DIY as they closed due see Sylvester's/ to insurmountable debts Silver Star DIY throughout their UK

The Sylvester always had the knack of seeing the wood through the trees and weathered the storm with incredible tenacity.

I, and I am sure many of Barry's townsfolk, will miss the comical banter with David Sylvester but most of all. will miss being able to get all or most of what we wanted at their Barry store at a reasonable price.

Good luck and enjoy your well-earned retirement - you really deserve it.

Barrie V Evans,

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HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL MARCH 14)
The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

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	12 Tues	09.43	9.1	21.58	8.9
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Parking-ticket problem for visitor to Barry

WOMAN visiting Barry Island claims she was repeatedly "cut off" when she tried to pay by telephone for a car parking space and points out the council "...could be missing out on business".

Gemma Jones, who lives in Cornwall, visited Barry Island with her sister on February 17.
Sh claimed that a number of other

people experienced the same situation at Nell's Point car park.

Gemma said: "We decided to take

the children to Barry Island for the day. I tried to pay over the phone four times and I was cut off each time. The same happened with my sister's phone

"Other people were having similar problems. The council could be losing out on business because of this."

The women were unaware that elsewhere in the car park there is a ticket machine which takes cash, although people have to pay the exact money because the machines do not accept

Gemma said that it would have helped if there had been a sign indicating another payment method was possible.

ask whether the phone payment system visitors are catered for. was working efficiently

Mike Clogg, the Vale's operational manager for engineering, said he was but if there were temporary problems confident the car parking service was then the council would like to apolooperating according to plan



People are able to pay for a car parking space on Barry Island by cash, text, phone or via a smartphone app.

"Visitors to Barry Island can pay to park at any Vale Council car park using cash, by text, phone or via smartphone app

"During the summer season these car parks are used by thousands of visitors each day and we are confident The GEM contacted the council to that this range of options ensures all

> "No issues with the payment system were reported on the day in question

£160,000 facelift for Dinas Library

DINAS Powys library is undergoing a major refurbishment following the award of a £160,000 EU grant.

The work will create a meeting room available for hire, an open space with a small kitchen and an upgraded library area

To enable building work to proceed, the library has relocated to Bethesda Chapel a few yards down the road. The library is now open there and will remain there until Saturday, April 13.

The chair of trustees, Chris Franks, said that the object was to provide modern facilities but maintain the high level of library services

He said: "We are very grateful to Bethesda for providing free accommodation for the library. The refurbishment will provide exciting opportunities for the whole community. The new meeting room will accommodate around 40 people and will be suitable for a range of activities.

"The open space will be available again for hire and tea and coffee can be provided."

The library is now a charity which has to raise over £1,000 every month to keep the doors open and the lights on. It is managed by a board of trustees with 45 volunteers running the library. New volunteers are welcome and will be offered full training.

Stoffel is found!

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Mrs Jones said: "I also put photos on Facebook and a message 'Please help! Stoffel is missing! Guys please share, he got out the back. Someone spotted a beagle in Broad Street. Please help me

Thousands of people and a number of groups began to share her plea on Facebook including 'South Wales Lost and Found', 'South Wales Beagle', 'Dogs Lost' and 'Harvey's Army North

There were reports of him at Asda and Barry Train Station. That night, they left the front door open with his food and blanket in the hope he would

day, Tuesday, but with no luck

Then, late on Tuesday, they received a message on Facebook that Stoffel ordeal and is just as michevious as had been spotted at the back of the ever.

Pumphouse.

Gregg went out with Stoffel's favourite squeaky toy, called Wilson, early on Wednesday morning and heard him bark at the back of the Pumphouse. Gregg then sounded the toy to attract his attention.

Alida said: "He recognised my hus-

band and ran over to him. My husband put it on Face Time and told me: 'I've found him!' I was sobbing.

"I went out to meet them. As we were going back home a woman who was driving past our house shouted out: 'Is that the missing beagle?' It was amazing.
"I want to thank the public. We

They continued the search the next couldn't have found him without their support.

Stoffel is none the worse for his



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i	Cash JISA	£1	£1	2.25%
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Dinas Powys gets £670,000 boost in funding

Powys is to have £670,000 spent on its open spaces and community facilities.

The funds are available because developers building housing estates have to make a contribution to the local community. Cllr Jonathan Bird. Vale Council Cabinet member for Regeneration and Planning, told The GEM a consultation will be carried out soon to decide where the money should go

He explained: "The council has secured funding of around £280,000 to improve public open spaces in Dinas Powys and a sum in the region of £390,000 for community facilities from recent developments in the

"We will shortly begin a period of public consultation to help decide how this money should be spent. with a significant upgrade to the Murchfield play area among the

proposals, and would welcome the input of any interested parties.

"There is also £15 000 of 'Section 106' money allocated to the Strong Communities Grant Fund specifically for groups in Dinas Powys to apply for. We have already approved £1,500 towards Dinas Powys Wild About Nature's proposals for environmental enhancements and have received enquiries from other organisations within the village

Community chair Cllr Steve Thomas recently welcomed Charlotte Pugh the senior planning officer responsible for development contributions at the Vale Council who explained how the funding could benefit the village.

Community councillor Chris Franks said councillors were prepared to help local voluntary groups make applications for funding if their ideas fulfilled the correct criteria.

Barry war photo is claimed by family

of The GEM being published last week, a local woman was able to claim the photograph of Royal **Navy Leading**

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Andrews.

LS Andrews, who was serving on HMS Prince of Wales was killed in action against Bismarck in May 1941

His niece Jeanette Andrews said her family would be thrilled to

Vivienne Waters had

found it while she was clearing out the loft of a house in Princes Street, once owned by her late grandmother Gertrude Stephenson (who was known as Doris). She thinks LS Andrews mother had given Doris the image because they were close friends.

Jeanette Andrews told The GEM: "I read your article, published on February 28, with great interest as it was about my uncle Graham. Our family would be thrilled to receive any documents or photographs that Mrs Waters has that relate to my family.

"I'd like to thank Mrs Waters for even thinking there may be some family locally who would appreciate having these items, rather than just getting rid of them. Luckily one of my friends called me when

she saw the article."

The GEM has put the two families in touch with each other.

RNLI Coffee morning THE Dinas Powys

branch of the RNLI is holding a coffee morning on Saturday, March 16 in the Lee Hall, Dinas Powys between 10am and 12 noon.

A bottomless pot of tea/coffee and biscuits will be served, a raffle and slices of cakes will be available to buy. Tickets (£3) from committee members or

programme planned for WI

HIGHLIGHT Park WI in Barry recently had afternoon craftv making green hearts for a new banner for the hall.

We welcomed some new visitors and hope they were happy enough to return. Thanks to Pat for coming up with so many different techniques and textures.

Now, the banner is installed in the hall on the back wall. It portrays how the Women's Institute has maintained its friendship and companionship over the years

It looks very 'green' as it should, to support 'Show the Love for the Environment campaign which the WI are strongly supporting. As part of our activities sessions, last month we joined in with Ystradowen WI to play whist which we hope will be a regular feature.

We held a silent auction which began very silently with peo-ple gingerly looking at objects large and small. The prices were low, and the buyers seemed happy with their choices.

Barbara our president opened the meeting and we had the usual birthday announcements but were saddened to hear that Connie Jacobs, a long standing member Barbara also read out a letter from Jean Booker, whose mum had been a founder member of our institute, to say that she was donating sufficient funds for the purchase of a complete set of new crockery and to provide a bursary to attend the WI Denman college, all in her mother's name as she had enjoyed her years with the WI so fundraising for

Our sincere thanks to Jean and her mum for their kindness

Pam Ralphs gave us an update on invitations and announced several events, upcoming including a fashion show with lunch in May at the Norton House Hotel in

We have a visit to ewsham Women's Pewsham Institute planned for afternoon tea including a visit to Lacock in the morning. Our main meeting speakers and activities are already booked for 2019, and our lunches every month and theatre bookings are also going well.

Meetings are held at Highlight Park hall, first Tuesday of the month at 2pm and third Tuesday of the month at 7.15pm, with a craft afternoon on Thursday every week at 2pm. Come along and enjoy our company and meet up with old friends You are very welcome!

D-Day dance!

TO coincide with 75th anniverof the D-Day sarv landings, Cadoc branch of Conservative the Association is holding a 1940s music and dance evening at the Cadoxton Conservative Club, Vere Street, Barry on Saturday, May 25 at 7pm.

Organised by former Barry at War chair, Ade Pitman and Cadoc Ward Councillor Rachel Nugent-Finn, the event has as its theme a 1940s dance, similar to one which may have taken place in the venue during the Second World War The event will feature live music from Ricky Hunter.

Mr Pitman said: "We felt that in this historic year it would be a nice idea to hold another 1940s' dance to celebrate both the success of the D-Day landings, and the ultimate liberation of Europe from oppression. "This is the fifth dance

that I have run, the last of which being a few years back now. Due venue, we have been able to keep ticket prices the same as the last dance with special rates for veterans and OAPs.

Cllr Nugent-Finn said: "I'm delighted to be working alongside Ade and welcome everybody to come and join us in a real community event. I want to support the Cadoxton Conservative Club and all residents in my ward, and encourage people to come along. We will have Lindy Hop dance professionals on hand to demonstrate classic 1940s' dance routines.

Period dress encouraged, so wear your favourite military uniform* or civilian clothing and take a trip back to 1944. Tickets from Ade Pitman at £6 in advance and £4 for OAPs and veterans. Call Mr Pitman on 07930 874161 or email Cllr Nugent-Finn on rnugentfinn@valeofglamorgan. gov.uk

www.facebook.com/glamorgangem • www.twitter.com/gem_news Thursday March 7th, 2019 Vale man inspires others to fight cystic fibrosis

A Cowbridge man, Josh Llewellyn-Jones. has been recognised by the Prime Minister and Secretary of State for Wales for "outstanding his cystic fibrosis charities at a Downing Street reception to mark St David's Day.

Mr Llewellyn-Jones aged 31, has raised over £750,000 from extreme fitness challenges in support of cystic fibrosis charities and his own foundation to encourage children with the condition to exercise.

Diagnosed with cystic fibrosis as a child, Josh was told by doctors that he would not live into his thirties. Inspired to raise awareness of the condition and show the importance of still being physically active, Josh has undertaken a range of endurance challenges such as ultra-marathons and became a world record holder after weight-lifting an aston-ishing one million kilos

in 24 hours His challenges have raised money in support of his foundation 'CF Warriors', which helps children with cystic fibrosis get into sport at an early age by providing dedicated packs giving tips on exercise

CF Warriors has also provided an online community for children with cystic fibrosis who are isolated from others with the condition due to risks of cross-infection.

Josh is one of the latest recipients of the 'Points of Light' award, which recognises outstanding volunteers who are making a change in their community and inspir-ing others. Each day, someone, somewhere in the country is selected to

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receive the award to celebrate their remarkable achievements.

He was presented with his award at the Downing Street St David's Day reception by Secretary of State for Wales, and his local MP, Alun Cairns.

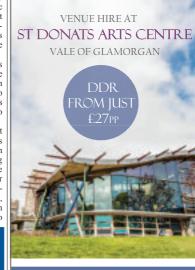
In a personal letter to Josh, Prime Minister Theresa May said:

"You should feel very proud of your extraordi-nary fundraising efforts and the transformational work of your foundation. Through 'CF Warriors' you are inspiring young people with cystic fibrosis to enjoy exercise and live the fullest lives You are an

inspiration and I wish you the very best with your future challenges.

Josh is the 1131st winner of the Points of Light award, which has been developed in partnership with the Points of Light programme in the USA. Over 6,000 Points of Light have been awarded in the USA, and former Presidents have publicly supported the partnership with Points of Light UK.

There is a similar cross-party approach to the UK programme and MPs from different parties often present their constituents with their Points of Light awards.



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Friendship gift travels from 'Barry to Bhutan'

Danielle Nicholls recently presented a 'Barry-Bhutan' friendship stone to the chief abbot of the Phajoding monastery in Thimphu.

It was made by Cheryl Dobbinson to mark the link between the two communities The stone depicts an owl painted commitment to place people's in the national colours of Bhutan well-being at the centre of its with the message 'From Barry to Bhutan'

Danielle said: "I went to Bhutan to take part in a pilgrimage and experience the Mahayana tradition of Buddhism. I wanted to go where the people of Barry. it all began.

"We went to monasteries, cultural sites and took part in a retreat for a couple of days. The people were full of kindness. It was a lovely trip.

Glyn Pooley of Art4U said: "Bhutan is one of the only countries in the world that measures 'Gross National Happiness' instead of the more conventional 'Gross National Product'. Its politics is an inspiration we wanted to share with our town

"As an organisation, we would like to thank Danielle for taking this journey and offering our message of kindness from



The chief abbot of Phajoding monastery receiving the 'Friendship Stone' from Danielle Nicholls.

Support local

carers

carers of patients on the Sam Davies Ward in Barry Hospital receive the necessary support, Sister Linda Edwards has organised a series a meetings to provide advice and information on support services and carers rights.

Links have already been made with Carers Wales, which provides a number of factsheets.

Many of these factsheets are available on the ward or may be obtained from Carers Wales website. Also, for those patients with links to the Armed Forces, there is support on offer from the British Legion Admiral nurses who support carers of those living with dementia. A variety of contact details are displayed on the carers' noticeboard on the Sam Davies Ward.

For further information, contact Sister Edwards, ward manager of the Sam Davies Ward on 01446 704164 or Jackie Memory at Jackie.memory@btinter

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Afternoon tea with a Welsh twist at church



BARRY Spiritualist Church, Buttrills Road, recently celebrated St David's Day with a Welsh afternoon tea.

Thanks go to everyone who gave their time and support to the event to help keep the church doors open.

Barry hygiene bank launches on **International Women's Day**

HIGH Street businesses in Barry will successful business. mark International Women's Day on Friday, March 8 by highlighting the con- a hygiene bank at 10am on Friday, March 8 for tribution local businesswomen make to women in need. The scheme will work in a similar the local economy and by launching a way to the foodbanks and donations of items such as toothpaste and brushes, tampons, sanitary towhygiene bank.

The new chairman of High Street traders, Vicky McDonald, told The GEM: "It's an opportunity to recognise the sheer number of women in the Barry community who stand out as real-life, excellent working examples of strong businesswomen.

"Female entrepreneurs set a phenomenal example to our younger generations that you can create your own business and thrive. These strong role models demonstrate every day the tenacity, dedication and meet some of the businesswomen in the area passion required to live their dream of owning a

els, soap, shampoo, conditioner and deodorant are welcome

The shop has joined forces with The Goodwash Company to sell a limited-edition, Mother's Day issue of its candle, donating 100 per cent of the profit to Llamau, which supports women and girls facing omelessness in Wales.

Local college students will also have the chance to

Cadoxton WI meeting

AT the February and biscuits as they few months' upcoming trips to Trago Mills, The Wye Garden Centre, The GFWI fashion show and garden party.

Raffles were won by Gay Fifield and Kim Knight. A very pleasant afternoon was had by those members who went the cinema and a wander around the Bay in the on 01446 404891.

meeting of Cadoxton bers enjoyed an evening Barry WI, the ladies at the Eating Rooms in enjoyed tea, coffee Thompson Street, Barry discussed the next excellent service from Dean and his wife made for a wonderful evening.

The next meeting of the Cadoxton WI is Monday, March 18 at 7pm where our guest speaker will be giving a talk on sepsis awareness.

New members are always welcome and if you are interested, to Cardiff Bay for lunch, please contact Christina Whitchurch the president KK

Platform given to Transport for Wales speaker

BARRY Men's Forum welcomed a representative from Transport for Wales, James Bennett who outlined the plans for the redevelopment of the rail network in Wales and the border counties.

The speaker next week will be the TV presenter Trevor Fishlock and the topic 'Adventures in Ink'. Further details may be obtained from Mac Tanner on 01446 743455; new members are always welcome, and we meet at Holy Trinity Church, Aberystwyth Crescent, Barry, every Thursday from 9.45pm onwards.

GlastonBARRY 2019 under big top circus tent

where the food and the GlastonBARRY best UK bands Tribute Festival are introducing a to Romilly Park in Barry this year.

> place over the week-end of July 27 and 28. Cousins Matt Blumberg and Ross Mackintosh launched the festival in 2013 to raise the profile of Barry and bring top tribute acts to the town.

The festival has grown significantly over the years and this year the capacity is 6,000 each

The capacity is bigger, perform a number of the production is bigger songs.

THE organisers of and we have 20 of the

The 20 tribute acts under the big top this year are introducing a will be Queen - tribute big top circus tent by Flash; Oasis - tribute o Romilly Park in by Ossish, Bon Jovi – tribute by Bon Giovi;
The festival takes Abba – tribute by Abba Abba – tribute by Abba Revival; UB40 – tribute by U2baby; Madness/ The Specials – tribute by 2Rude; Blondie – tribute by Heart of Glass; Take That - tribute by Rule the World; Kings of Leon tribute by The Four Kicks; ACDC – tribute by Hells Bells; Bruno Mars – tribute by Glenn Owen; The Rolling Stones – tribute by The Rolling Clones; The day.

Ross said:

"GlastonBARRY 2019 is being taken to the next level. We will have a new larger big top circus is located and it houses is located and it houses the full festival capacity.

We also have a noutside Effect; The Police – tribute stage with some amazute by The Secret Police. stage with some amaz- ute by The Secret Police; ing tributes playing in and The Valli Boys from between the main acts. London's West End will

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The coaches thought the singing battle between Bethzienna (right) and Moya was one of the best so far. Image property of ITV.

Sir Tom saves Barry's Bethzienna on The Voice UK

BARRY'S Williams was spared an exit going home', but when I heard the on Saturday night's The coaches talking I felt really good Voice UK after Sir Tom and that maybe it wasn't the end." Jones stepped in to save her.

Miss Williams was in Battle Round 2 of the talent show in which two contestants sing the same song together and one of the judges has to pick a winner.

extremely nervous and defi-nitely didn't want to go home." She was up against Moya, who is from Jersey, and the song they sang was 'Never Tear Us Apart' by INXS. Both women sang their hearts out and at the end judge Jennifer Hudson declared Moya the winner. Miss Williams said: "I was gen-

uinely pleased for her because we become close friends and I at know how much it means to her

'Then I thought 'I could be

A reprieve was on the way because when Jennifer Hudson told Tom Jones 'She's from where you are -Miss Williams said: "I was Wales', he hit his button to save not extremely nervous and defi-

Miss Williams said: "To be chosen by Tom was a dream come true. He's been one of my icons since I was little.

Bethzienna now heads for the knockout rounds in a couple of weeks. The Voice UK continues 8pm, Saturdays

Women arrested after police raids in Barry

series of early morning war- clear deterrent message to criminals rants at three addresses in the that we will find you and arrest you. town on Thursday, February 28.

The intelligence led operation resulted in a 51 year old woman being arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a class A drug and a 42 year old woman arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a Class C drug. Both women are from the Court area of Barry. They are currently being held at Queen's action against those that offend. Road police station, Bridgend. Sgt Madoc-Smart added: "We

POLICE in Barry executed a offences and this operation sends out a

"The main purpose of this operation was to target alleged offenders and through planned police activity identify and arrest those involved in the supply of drugs.

"Our communities do not want drugs within them and the possession and supply of drugs is a criminal offence and one that we take seriously. We will continue to take

Sergeant Julie Madoc-Smart from rely on intelligence from residents to Barry police station said: "This oper-tackle drug supply in our commu-ation targeted drug dealers and those nities and I urge local residents to supplying drugs in our communities. report any suspicious activity to us." South Wales Police

Speakers lined up

Services (GVS) has arranged three interesting and informative presentations at its Vale Voluntary Action and **Community Development** Network, to be held at Elfed Avenue United Church, Penarth on Wednesday, March 13 (10am to noon).

Sian Salkeld, carers development worker of Carers Trust South East Wales will talk about the various services they operate in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan. Michael Banner, Marie Curie

Hospice will be speaking about the Improving Access Project that he manages, that works to reduce barriers to access their services for people with dementia, learning disabilities and different or no religious beliefs.

Janine Richardson, GVS volunteer development officer will provide a general overview about volunteering and how to use the Volunteering Wales website to attract volunteers for your organisation.

If you would like to attend, please contact Dave Edwards, Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) on 01446 741706; enquiries@gvs.wales

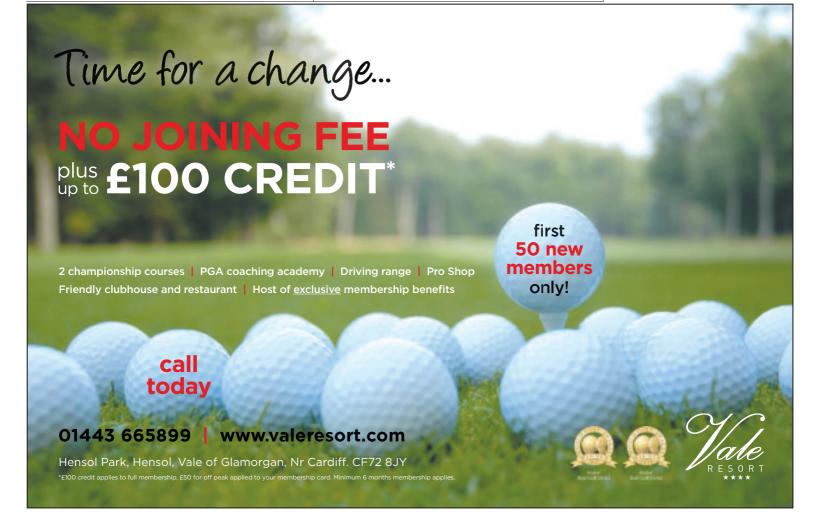
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'A message of hope and goodwill on St David's Day'

were many messages of hope and goodwill on St David's Day in Wales and throughout the world as we celebrated the Day with activities, processions, concerts and events.

I was particularly pleased to hear from the First Minister, Mark Drakeford, when he said: "Wales' influence expands beyond the land borders of our country - so I am extending my greeting not just to everyone here in Wales, but to all those who have adopted Wales as their home; to all those who are far from home but always Welsh at heart and to the many people in every corner of the world with links to

"Each and every one of you play a part in making Wales the proud and confident nation it is. Wales is. and will remain, an outward-looking nation. We may be a small country of just over three million people, but the impact we make across the world is considerable."

On St David's Dav. that spirit was reflected at many events I attended, including the launch of a new Valeways Walk with MIND in the Vale, to promote health and wellbeing. We met at Barry town station at the Travellers Cafe and Gallery run by the men tal health charity, and I welcomed this new initiative to promote walking as beneficial to mental as well as



Vale AM **JANE** HUTT reports to GEM readers

physical, health. Led by Valeways walk Leader Chris Jennings, these walks will take place the first Friday of the month at 10am, so all are welcome to join the next walk on April 5.

Later that morning, I welcomed members of the Vale Youth Forum and Colwinston Youth Club to the Senedd and was pleased to hear of their enthusiasm for St David's Dav to be a public holiday which many would support

me about the priorities emerging from the first session of the Welsh Youth Parliament which met on February 23 at the Senedd, including our Vale representative, Lleucu Wiliam.

The three key

priorities emerging out of the debates in their Parliament were emotional and mental health support, littering and plastic waste and life skills in the curriculum I am pleased that we will soon be debating legislation to enable our 16 and 17 year olds to vote in the next Assembly elections. We have a lot to learn from our school students and young people who take part in Youth Forums, councils and cabinets across Wales, including the Llantwit Youth Council Members who played their part in the refurbishing of a playground at the Birds Estate in Llantwit Major

In the evening, I joined the Vale for Africa volunteer team at the Twmpath at St Donats Arts Centre

Thingumijigs got us all dancing as we cele-brated St David's Day in style, supported by the mayors of Llantwit Major, Cowbridge, Barry and the Lord Lieutenant, Morfudd Meredith.

We heard from optometrist Ted Arbuthnot about the eve care project in the Tororo district of Eastern Uganda supported by local optometry teams from across the Vale who give their skills and commitment to this vital eve care initiative in partnership with local people, hospitals and a Ugandan community organisation.

So there were many acts as well as messages of hope and goodwill from our caring, compassionate and committed young people, volunteers and charities on St David's Day in the Vale.

These reflect the spirit of St David and open us up to new experiences, new ideas and new opportunities

Cosmeston on track for rail network funding

TREES will be planted at Cosmeston Lakes Country Council's onsite ranger service, will Park after it secured funding help maintain the extension in the from Network Rail's The coming years. Greater West Programme, biodiversity offsetting scheme that supports the delivery of habitats planting will be created for a whole range of

The planting of 1,350 trees will give a two-hectare extension to the southern edge of Cogan Wood that will include a mixed selection of fruit

The majority of the planting will be carried out by a contractor, with some trees being planted by the Cosmeston Wildlife Group and volunteers.

The volunteers, along with the Vale

Emmanuel Deschamps, Environment Manager for Network Rail said: "It is fantastic to be able to support this project. A new habitat and enhancement projects. species and projects like this are vital in creating green spaces for people and wildlife to enjoy."

Cosmeston Lakes Country Park has a variety of habitats covering over 100 hectares of land and water, with some areas designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest to protect rare and diverse plant and animal species.

£30,000 on offer from healthcare charity

CARDIFF & Vale Health Charity has allocated £30,000 ing for creative, innovative approaches in total to support third sector community healthcare improvement projects in the emotional needs."

Vale Health Charity. The priorities for £6,000. this grant programme are the arts and programme recognises the ability of the arts to bring communities together, diverse groups and to positively support wellbeing

A spokesperson said: "We are lookwhich help people and communities overcome challenging social issues as well as addressing physical and

'The arts' in this instance is used The grants programme is admin- in its broadest sense, to encompass istered by Glamorgan Voluntary creative activities and approaches. The Services (GVS) on behalf of Cardiff & maximum that can be applied for is

The grant opened for applications on wellbeing and social prescribing. This February 25 with a deadline for submission of 12pm on Friday, March 22. Application forms and guidance are to reach out to vulnerable people and available from Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS), 01446 741706 enquiries@gvs.wales.

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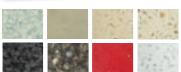
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Overspend looms for Vale Council as more children are taken into care

GROWING numbers of in the Vale of Glamorgan in what's been described as a "very disappointing outcome" for many families.

New figures have revealed that 276 looked-after children were in the council's care in February 2019 – a 50 per cent jump from 183 children at the same time in February 2016.

It was revealed last year that the council was paying £471,380 per year to keep just one 14-yearold boy in a secure unit after a pattern of "complex and challenging behaviour"

On February 27, Cllr Kevin Mahoney raised concerns in a Vale Council meeting about this cost – describing it as a "scandal".

He said: "We have had no proposals put forward by any of the officers on how we can address this

"£470,000 for one child in secure accommodation. That's not far off a one per cent council tax increase for the entire county.

Council leader John Thomas said the spend on one child's care was decided by the courts and was out of the council's hands and it was unfair to blame council officers

children are going into care of the courts where they place children. If we have not got the facilities at home we have to pay for it.

The council's budget for placements for looked-after children expected to overspend by £500,000 this year as demand continues to grow.

A council report says: "This is due to the increasing com-plexities of the children currently being supported, which results in their placement in very high cost

Cllr Ian Johnson, Plaid Cymru leader on the authority, said: "It's a very disappointing outcome for so many families.'

He asked if the council had approached the Welsh Government for more funding for looked-after children in the Vale.

Cllr Gordon Kemp, cabinet member for social care, health and leisure, said: "There's constant requests particularly through the WLGA on to Welsh Government

for additional funding. "The situation is difficult, I accept that. It needs to be borne in mind that the numbers do fluctuate over time

"We need to look more at the situation of these children and the measures the council takes

He said: "It's in the hands to keep the numbers as low as possible.

Lance Carver, Vale Council director of social services, said: In common with the responsibilities of all local authorities, the council has a statutory duty to provide care and support where the needs of a child require this.

"Where a child is looked after, the local authority takes a role as on sale, and donations corporate parent. These responsibilities include the identification of accommodation appropriate to the child's needs.

"The Vale Council supports children looked after in a range of settings, always where this is possible within their families, or where this cannot be achieved, entitled within foster care or residential placements. The identification and funding of placements is a challenge for local authorities across Wales in the context of rising demand and complexity and limited available provision.

"We are working closely and productively with Welsh Government colleagues to ensure that we have safe numbers of children looked after and appropriate levels of funding.

Local democracy reporter

News in brief

Fair bake for Fairtrade

BARRY Council is currently place on Saturday, March 9.

A 'Fair bake coffee

morning' is taking place at Cadoxton Methodist Church from 10am to 12pm. There will be a range of products will be welcomed Cowbridge U3A THE next Cowbridge U3A monthly meeting will be a talk American Odyssey by Douglas Guy at 2pm on Wednesday, March 13 Cowbridge Town Hall. Please note that this is a change from the published programme.

Visitors welcome Matt Discombe for a small fee, which includes refreshments

Bereavement café

A GROUP to support bereaved have had support or whose family have people in the Vale will hold received support from the organisation its latest 'bereavement café' within the Vale. at its Bridgeman Road hospice on Friday, March 15, to those who need it and will also run by the The Marie Curie Cardiff and the Vale Hospice's visiting the café.

latest event takes and is open to those who are known to to speak to the Family Support Team.

Team members Jo Terry and Dawn

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'Incredible response' for Vale Hygiene Bank since its launch two months ago

LOCAL people say they have been "amazed" by the swift and positive response to the Vale 'hygiene bank' which started in January this year.

The Hygiene Bank is a registered charity that helps women on low incomes or in poverty. People take hygiene products and toiletries to local donation points for them to be distributed locally

Jo Wain, the Vale co-ordinator, said: "The kindness of people in the Vale is really evident. Any unopened hygiene and sanitary products are welcomed alongside much needed baby bits too

Caroline Morgan, who helped launch the Hygiene Bank in Wales, added: "If you are a local business who would be happy to have a donation station or has storage space that we could use, then please get in touch.

"We'd also like to hear from people who would like to get involved in

such a worthwhile cause."

The donation points in the Vale are: phone box, Llantrithyd Road, St Hilary; Tesco Express, 44 High Street, Cowbridge; Co-op, St Athan; Cowbridge & Western Vale Group Practice (GP surgery) Cowbridge; The Clinic, Boverton Road, Llantwit



The Hair Studio in Llantwit Major run by Jacquie Jenkins is one of the local donation points for the Vale Hygiene Bank.

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His confidence has improved immensely since coming into the rehoming centre and he loves a run off-lead in the field and playing with his doggy friends. Chandler does rely on other dogs for confidence, therefore, we are looking to rehome him with a dog already established in the home

New owners will need to make a few visits to the centre to build up a relationship with Chandler, as he can be a little unsure meeting new people initially. Chandler is looking for a quiet home where he

year-old Lurcher. time. He can live with children 11 years old and above

> Canine carer Louisa said: "It has been lovely to see Chandler coming out of his shell to play.

"I am sure that once settled in a home his character will start to shine through and he certainly will be a friend for life.

To find out more Chandler, visit the website at www.dogstrust. org.uk

Rambling from Valleys to beaches!

from Penarth and District as the sun broke through.

Ramblers in wonderful unexWith hazy views westwards towards Ramblers in wonderful unexpected sunny conditions below the derelict St Luke's Church at Abercarn and they set off diversion. uphill by road, celebrating the fact that topcoats, gloves

Upon reaching the top of the valley they stopped for morning refreshment overlooking the beautiful Cwm

Gwyddon below them.

Heading across Mynydd Maen
Common towards the transmitting
masts on Mynydd Twyn-glas, the rugged pathway was almost completely
dry, but days ruts circuified that off dry, but deep ruts signified that offroad motorcyclists have caused a great deal of damage to the area.

Locating a grassy bank they enjoyed

lunch in lovely warm sunshine before heading into woodland at Cefn Rhyswg to their start. to scuff up fallen beech leaves with their boots. A steep descent on wood-land paths at Cefn Gofapi brought them through forestry for the steep descent to the footbridge over the fast flowing Nant Gwyddon, before the last steep climb to reach a road for the Usk Valley to view the ancient yew return to their start.

On a cool overcast morning, 11 walkers joined Robin and spaniel Pepper at Oxwich Bay car park and after gazing at the recent huge rockfall on the beach, they headed past the ancient church of St Illtyd surrounded by trees, in order to climb steps set into the hillside on Oxwich Point.

Following the well-worn undulating path through woodland which is now part of the Wales Coast Path they rounded the corner on to the open cliff

SEVEN walkers joined Rachel path and paused for morning break just

Port-Eynon they tramped into the headwind below the tall craggy cliffs. to climb up to Slade on a footpath

A narrow path led them into the peaceful village of Horton where a and hats were not required. man-made pathway through the sand
Upon reaching the top of the valley dunes led them to their lunch stop at the dog-friendly Ship Inn at Port-Eynon, which was very busy with people out enjoying the lovely weather.

After a delicious luncheon it was time to return along the coast path, this time with the full tide crashing onto the craggy rocks. Climbing to reach the road at eastern Slade led them on past bright yellow daffodils and pretty snowdrops on the verges for the descent back through Oxwich village

On March 9, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for an eight-mile moderate walk in the Skenfrith area; contact Su G on 07954 139 946

On March 13, meet at 9am at Cogan for an 11-mile moderate walk in the trees at Bettws Newydd; contact William on 07528 701 952.

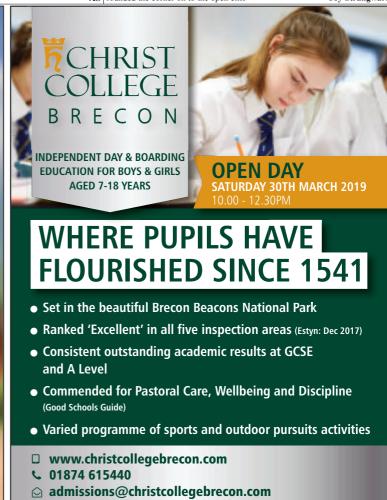
On March 14, Shortish Strides will

be a morning walk from Penmark taking in five villages, meet at 9.40am at the Toby Inn to share transport as parking is limited; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

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HILE Ricky Gervais has been off making feature films. pičking up acclaim wherever he goes, his former partner in crime, Stephen Merchant, has been steadily keeping himself busy taking unexpected roles (and shining) in the likes of *Logan* and The Girl in the Spider's Web.

But Merchant has gone back behind the camera and the laptop for his latest project, as he directs and writes the real life story of WWE wrestler Paige in Fighting With My

Family.
Florence Pugh plays Saraya, who, along with her brother Zak (Jack Lowden) dreams of being a professional

wrestler.

It's in the genes, as her parents Ricky and Julia (Nick Frost and Lena Headey) are in the wrestling world - but where they are in Norwich is far away from the glitz and the glamour of the American wrestling industry.

When Saraya and Zak get a shot at the big time with the WWE, the pair have to take their opportunities and battle to get the chance to shine at the very top of their chosen profession.

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Wrestling and cinema don't always make for a good mix. Yes Darren Aronofsky's The Wrestler was an exception to the rule but films like Ready To Rumble, No Holds Barred and Walk Like A Panther have hardly set the cinematic world alight. Given Stephen

Merchant's involvement, you would expect Fighting With My Family to be a wholesale comedy, but in actual fact it's a warmly-told and hugely charming underdog story that, while not played wholly straight, has a degree of emotion that makes for a hugely satisfying viewing experience.

The world of wrestling is one that is easily mocked, yet this is a film that showcases the hard work that it takes to be successful, and the luck and effort it takes to reach the pinnacle of the WWE (the facial rebuke one character receives when uttering the phrase 'wrestling is fake" is firm proof of this).

While Merchant slighty fudges the

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path from a garage in Norwich to WrestleMania (the journey likely far more complex and trickier than displayed here) he does, however, highlight the sacrifices Paige made in order to achieve her

dream. Rather than a vanity project, this is a film that examines the life of the family surrounding her the tough lives they led and how wrestling proved to be the family's salvation, a balm to soothe old wounds - and this is where the emotional heft comes from

If Paige's rise is your traditional rags-to-riches tale (being told you're not good enough, grab-bing victory from the iaws of defeat) then the tale of her brother Zak i equally as compelling. Being told that the

one thing he has been passionate about since the age of three isn't going to end up in him becoming a superstar wrestler is the more interesting strand in some ways, and works as a counterpoint to the (perceived) achievements of Paige

It's a film that is surprisingly well-acted Florence Pugh has shown in her work thus far an ability to inhabit many different characters and here she has the attitude and desire, along with the hidden vulnerabilities, that make her stand out. while Jack Lowden as her brother is equally as good, a performance of real finesse

Around them are a raft of lovely turns, whether it's Nick Frost and Lena Headey as the tough-but-tender parents Vince Vaughn playing to type as as Paige's smartmouthed trainer and a small but wonderful cameo from Dwayne Iohnson

Merchant's big screen solo directorial debut certainly carries the hallmarks of his work with Gervais, but he shows a strong ability to carry the story without resorting to flashy camera work. The script may carry a few cliches but they work within the spirit of the film.

It may draw in the wrestling fans, but Fighting With Mv Family deserves to be seen by a broader audience. Its pull comes not from the wresting element, but more from the universal themes it explores – the price of success, achieving your dreams no matter what the cost, stepping out from the shadow of your family and, as such, makes for a really pleas-

ing viewing experience.

VERDICT: Fighting With My Family is an absolute treasure of a film - charming and heartwarming, it's a rags-to-riches-esque biopic that gets the balance just right. The performances all shine. in particular Florence Pugh and Jack Lowden while Stephen Merchant proves a steady and sure hand on directorial and script duties.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: The Wrestler (2008), Walk Like A Panther (2018).

Coastal exploration for the Valeways walkers

AS the warn sunny February short coffee stop was taken before weather faded away and March the group headed on towards Atlantic promised to come in like a lion, seven Valeways walkers met John at the Horseshoe a team from the council, who were Inn in Marcross for a walk cutting back the overgrown vegetation. to the lighthouse and beyond.

They set off along the road to reach Monknash and turned towards the coast, passing the ruins of the Neath Field, named to commemorate the Abbey Grange Farm. They went over Silver Jubilee of King George V. several restored stone stiles before crossing the fast flowing Nash brook.

They walked through the Blaen y Cwm nature reserve, noting the old ing half way to admire the view along the Heritage Coast towards Nash Point.

They were hit by a short shower as they walked along the cliff top but soon reached Cwm Nash for another drop down and climb up to pass the Cliff Top Café, optimistically open.

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College

The cliff path was narrow but part way along, the group came across

The walkers descended the path to reach St Donat's Bay and carried on along the cliff to reach King George's

Turning inland, the group walked through the grounds of Atlantic College and St Donat's Church. They walked up Cwm Hancorne to arrive mill before reaching the coast. Here at Parc Farm before crossing fields they climbed up the steep slope, paus- and passing Marcross Farm to arrive back at the pub, where food and drink waited.

The group would like to thank the landlady and staff of the Horseshoe Inn for their hospitality and the use of

the car park.
For information on Valeways Free It was easy walking to reach the Guided Walks please visit www.vale-lighthouse, where Trinity House were ways.org.uk

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The Coffi Pig loses concession in the Vale

daughter who ran a catering business from a converted horsebox Ogmore-bybeach have thanked dozens of well-wishers their support after they lost their pitch.

Ian and Megan Llewellyn, who live in Llantwit Major, had run the popular business there for two and a half years but missed out dur-

ing a tendering process.

They are now out of said: "It was massively been welcomed by the disappointing to miss Ogmore community."

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to get other jobs or get don't another pitch, but they Ano are difficult to come by.

ible two or so years. service. We've made life-long sorely missed by us subject our concessions to such concessions. friendships, met some and the other residents to a competitive tender



Ian and Megan Llewellyn.

Ogmore-by-Sea."

amazing people and of

One poster said: taken into consideration. "Ogmore just won't Mike Clogg of the be the same without Vale Council said: "We weren't be the on that morning that and Meg have done a as extremely disappointwe'd missed out. fantastic job building ing news to the previous

"On a positive note, quality service, products the last two years, "As unsuccessful due to the we've had an incred- and fantastic customer a public authority it is competitive tendering You will be necessary

to ensure that other businesses have the opportunity to trade on council land and that we continue to receive best value for council taxpayers.

"On this occasion another operator provided us with a better offer through the tendering process and the council is obligated to accept this tender from

a business perspective. "We look forward to working with the new concession holder and also hope that The Coffi Pig operators will be able to find a

remarks. selling points should be difficult, particularly for well-established tenants, but the Coffi Pig owners will have been aware their contract was due to "We'll either have your business and you tenants, The Coffi Pig, expire on February 28 get other jobs or get don't deserve this." and we would like to this year and that there Another person said: thank them for their was always a chance "We have enjoyed the excellent service over of their tender being for us to arrangements applied

Generous gift on St David's Day for RNLI

RNLI has thanked a local man who visited the lifeboat station on St David's Day to make a personal donation to the

Spokesman Martin Thomas said: "Brian Whitehead called in to present our coxswain Martin Bowmer with a cheque for £150. It was a very kind donation and gratefully received. We want to thank him for his support."

Pictured above are Coxswain Martin Bowmer (left) receiving the cheque from Brian Whitehead (centre) along with crew member Nigel Parry.



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Time running out for the 'Save Llancarfan **School' protestors**

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closure was a factor last Thursday when the Vale Council's budget for 2019/2020 was voted down by a meeting of the full council.

Recently-elected Rhoose ward member Andrew RT Davies, and three other Conservatives voted against, although the closure was not the only factor in their decision.

Nevertheless, the cabinet voted to go ahead with the closure on Monday, March 4. It will now proceed to the Scrutiny Committee for discussion and then return to the cabinet for a final determination.

The GEM understands that Cllr Gordon Kemp, who represents Rhoose and is a member of the cabinet, proposed that the decision be deferred for 12 months, but this was defeated.

Andy Farquharson, a spokesman for the campaign group, said

but unsurprised by the cabinet's decision, as we've long suspected it was a foregone conclusion.

"Our hopes now rest with the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee to properly challenge the educational and business case for the new school before final approval. "The objection report

presented by officers to the cabinet was a lengthy rehash of their previous selective reports and did not properly address our concerns or adequately consider alternative options. At a time when the Vale Council is facing a difficult budget decision later this week it does seem a waste of tax-payer's money to proceed with building a new school with significant surplus places, which will also divide the community in Rhoose to the detriment

of Rhws Primary

"By not properly holding officers to account, the cabinet has let down people right across the Rhoose ward, set a dangerous precedent which endangers all rural school communities throughout Wales and as an action committee we will continue to explore options for a legal challenge, as well take the matter up directly with Welsh Government."

Cllr Andrew RT Davies, said: "I'm bitterly disappointed with the decision taken on Llancarfan School by the cabinet at the Vale Council - regrettably, common sense did not prevail.

"However, as a councillor for the ward I will continue to press the case for a viable alternative to these plans - the fight for Llancarfan School is by no means over.

Storm Freya arrives at Barry Island



STRONG on March 3 heralded the arrival of Storm Freya along western stretches of the UK coastline.

Local photographer Paul Murphy took a photograph of Storm Freya arriving at Barry Island.

He said: "The sea was really angry and I think the winds were about 40mph to 50mph." Recorded wind speeds were around 19 knots with gusts up to around 25 knots

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The ever-popular Ficelle trousers arrived last week and are selling fast, fab colours this season perfect for teaming up with anything, cobalt blue, stunning red, green, and of course the brilliant neutrals.

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nation of navy and orange, printed

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The other guest for the evening was sonrano Emma Edwards, who was originally from Llanharan but now lives in Taunton

Taunton opened the evening sing-ng 'Divine Brahma', 'Softly as Leave You' and 'Gloria' by Mozart. They were followed by Emma, who sang 'Ave Maria', 'Sae Tu M'ami, Se Sospri' and a wonderful rendition of 'Myfamwy'. She impressed with Six Nations Rugby arranged by their mance will be in Holy Cross Church,

were invited by Taunton Deane started with 'Cwm Rhondda' follow with a song from Phantom of the Opera. Male Voice Choir to sing at the ing this with 'O Gymru'. In contrast to these and other rousing numbers they with 'I have a Dream' and 'Nothing like sang, for the first time in public, Alwyn a Dame' among others; they then com-Humphries' arrangement of 'If We Only bined with Emma in 'Let it Be Me'.
Have Love' from the musical Jacques Brel The evening ended with Cowbridge and is Alive and Well and Living in Paris.

The first half was rounded off by 100 with Emma in 'Morte Christe' Taunton and Cowbridge combing Cowbridge will travel to London together and singing 'The Rose' to sing at the Best of Wales Gala Ball together

the quality and clarity of her singing musical director Rhiannon Williams. Cowbridge. Tickets from Barnes Dry It was now the turn of Emma Edwards sang her second Cleaners Cowbridge or any choir member Cowbridge to keep up the standard, set including 'The Turtle Dove', a

With traditional Welsh hwyl they traditional English folk song and ended

Taunton then returned to the stage Taunton combining as a choir of about

Cowbridge will travel to London to sing at the Best of Wales Gala Ball Cowbridge opened the second half in The Grosvenor Square Hotel on



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Pencoed girl has a shot at stardom in Diana musical

Pencoed, Natasha has been selected to head the cast a new musical based on the life of Princess Diana, entitled Call Me Diana.

However, the show as not been given has not the green light yet, so Natasha will be getting ready for a 'Big Show in London in September, when she will perform at a showcase event in Leicester Square - aimed at attracting investors.

It won't be Natasha's first 'Big Show' either - because she was surprised by Michael McIntyre, on his 'Big Show' in April 2016. On that show, she had the chance to sing with Michael Ball.

When he saw that show, Brian Watson, one of the writers and lyricist of 'Call Me Diana', made a note and agreed to ask Natasha to



Natasha recaptures the famous Mario Testino photo of Princess Di.

he called her in January He thought the Welsh hairdresser might be just the person to play Diana, Princess of Wales. Her classical voice training was such that Brian talked it over with his co-writer, the show's composer, David Smart, and the show's direc-tor, John DeGaetano

and they unanimously Got a story? Then get in touch with us email editorial@ glamorgan-gem.co.uk

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Natasha sings with Michael Ball on the Michael McIntyre Big Show.

audition.

"You know when it's right, when you've tears in your eyes and the hairs on the back of your neck are standing up", said Brian Watson.

His sentiments were confirmed when David Smart replied: "There's no doubt about it, we've found our star".

The Leicester Square Theatre is booked for the showcase in September this year. Brian added: "This long-awaited tribute is fit for a Princess, and now our wonderful star of the show is in

According to the

production team, the death of the Princess will be handled in a delicate way, leaving the finale of the show uplifting a celebration of the legacy Diana, Princess of Wales left behind

The September showcase in London's West End is a sampling of the full production. The show will be performed to a limited number of ticket holders along with invited investors. producers, the media and special guests to build support for the full staged production spectacular

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Persons wishing to tender for this work must be able to provide proof of public liability insurance along with evidence of previous experience of works of this nature.

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Town Clerk Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council Town Hall High Street Cowbridge

Alternatively telephone 01446 773385 or email canderson@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk The closing date for submissions is noon on Friday 29th March 2019

Vale Council are to consider amended budget this Friday

THE Vale Council Leader, expected that members of the Cllr John Thomas has said an amended budget will go to a full council meeting this Friday, March 8, and that the proposed level of council tax, 4.9 per cent, will remain the same.

In the last few days Cllr Thomas has had discussions with the Labour group which has agreed to support him - in return for concessions. Last week the council, a Conservative-Independent administration, lost a vote to get its budget for 2019-20 approved after four Conservatives joined opposition councillors to vote it down.

This week, Cllr John Thomas confirmed he had been in talks with opposition councillors to resolve matters. He said: "Following last week's budget vote I held discussions with members of my own group, including those who did not support the budget proposals as well

as several other councillors.
"Talks continued in the days that followed and I am pleased to say that new budget proposals will now be presented to a special meeting of full council on Friday. These will include new measures to address a number of issues raised at the full council meeting and subsequently as an additional £100,000 for supporting local bus services and setting aside additional money to support community uses in the development of St Paul's Church in Penarth."

He said he had also agreed to a request from opposition councillors to review a number of areas of the council's work Cllr Thomas went on: "If agreed on Friday, this new budget will represent a victory for grown-up politics in the Vale. Reaching this agreement has not been about doing deals, but rather being mature and perceptive enough to consider the needs of all the communities we serve.

The leader of the Labour group. Cllr Neil Moore, said he and his colleagues had opposed the original budget because they wanted to make a stand on the mismanagement of budgets. He said: "However, I had not

Conservative group would vote against their own budget and as a result it was not approved.

"Due to the unprecedented event I agreed, along with Cllr Lis Burnett, to have discussions with the leadership of the council and negotiated an amended budget, which includes issues that we felt to be important for the people of the Vale.

We did so knowing that unless a budget was agreed, it would be both irresponsible and illegal; and would leave vital services in jeopardy and the most vulnerable unprotected. "We have negotiated changes in the budget that included supporting buses that were at risk of stopping, along with support for communities, such as seed funding for the St Paul's Community Space Group in Penarth, which have been included in the amended

"However, we also required other priorities to be included, outside the budget report. They are the creation of specific funding to refurbish and upgrade older and Victorian schools that do not qualify for 21st century funding; the removal of proposed town centre on-street parking charges; a review of LED replacement of non-standard lights; increased scrutiny to address current non-delivery of projects and savings; an audit of community facilities in Gibbonsdown and an equal geographic distribution of strong communities grant funding.

He said it would be "irresponsible" not to agree a budget and that's why he and his colleagues would ensure it was agreed. The leader of the Plaid Cymru group. Cllr Ian Johnson, said he thought it was unfair to ask people to pay more money for fewer council services when the Vale Council has substantial reserves:

He explained: "Disappointingly, the Conservatives and Labour voted together against our sensible and constructive suggestion of a 3.5 per cent increase in last week's

meeting.
"We have already seen both Tories and Labour voting together for a 10 per cent increase

understand that they have been meeting this week to talk about voting together on the Vale Council as well."

Cllr Gwyn John of Llantwit First Independents said that unless car parking proposals were dropped, he wouldn't back the budget. He said: "I am pleased that some money is promised towards bus services in the western Vale, but it is unlikely that I will support the new proposals on Friday unless Cllr Thomas scraps his plans to introduce car parking charges at Llantwit Major.

"If he expects residents of Llantwit Major to pay car parking charges on top of a 4.9 per cent increase in the budget then he can think again."

Cllr Thomas's decision to rely on Labour support will come as a bitter blow to the four Conservatives who helped to vote the budget down: Vincent Bailey, Janice Charles, George Carroll and Andrew RT Davies. It is understood they raised concerns with the Vale Leader over council tax levels in future years and called for a deferral on a decision over the possible relocation of Llancarfan School in Rhoose.

They released a statement early this week in which they said: "It would be wrong to look to the Labour Party for solutions to the problems created by a flawed funding system", adding that they hoped that a Conservative budget could be delivered on Friday.

A Welsh Government spokesperson said councils should avoid delays in setting a budget: "Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 councils must undertake the calculations which underpin the budget and the council tax by March 11

'While a budget is not invalid if it's agreed later than this date, councils cannot set their council tax rate and raise their own income until they have agreed their budgets. Councils will want to avoid the uncertainty delay causes to local people and businesses."

What's on and where in your area

Friends And Neighbours in Palmerston centre PALMERSTON Learni Learning 'Good Manners'.

We are looking for new, friendly people to join our to talk about our daily lives and a weekly topic over a free hot drink. There is no commitment or charge, and you do not have to book

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caroline fan 2018@gmail.comVale classic car show

THE Rotary Club of Dinas at The Coytrahen Community Community Centre FAN Powys is once again organising (Friends And Neighbours) the Vale of Glamorgan Classic group's topic this week was Car Show, on May 27 in the grounds of the Sully Sports and Leisure Club.

Now in its seventh year, the Palmerston group, which meets event welcomes classic car every Monday for one hour at 2pm enthusiasts from all over south Wales, the West Country and from far afield to share their passion for classic vehicles.

The show is for pre-1995 take vehicles (no tracked vehicles place every Tuesday at 10.30am or commercial vehicles) and in Golau Caredig (the old cin- will raise funds for Prostate Cymru and Barnardo's and other, local good causes. If you wish to register your

people to share our experiences. car for the show, you can do So come along and join us. so online at: www.valeof- follow, but please save the date For more information email: glamorganclassiccarshow.net for this amazing evening of fun.

Race Night in Coytrahen THERE will be a race night Centre on Friday, March 15. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm

Entry is free with an option to purchase a race card (£1) which includes a raffle. We have a licensed bar and light refreshments are also available

Save the date! THIS year, Bridgend County Riding for the Disabled group are hosting a fundraising event at the Bridgend Show on July 12-14.

We will be having a hog roast and entertainment from the incredible Park Lane Big Band.

Details on ticket sales to follow, but please save the date



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What's on and where in your area

Valeways guided walks ON Thursday, March 7 the Living With Cancer Strollers meet at Cosmeston Country Park visitor centre at 10.30am.

On Monday, March 11 experience A Hint of Spring: meet at the Toby Carvery on Port Road West, Barry (CF62 3BA) at 11am.

On Wednesday, March 13 the Coffee Shop Strollers of Cosmeston will meet at 10.30am at the country park visitor

The same day, the Coffee Shop Strollers of Llantwit Major meet at 2.30pm in the town hall car park in Llantwit Major.

On Friday, March 15 at 10am meet at The Blacksmith's Arms in Llanmaes (CF61 2XR) for a walk around Llanmihangel and Sigingstone. **Quilters meet**

GLAMORGAN Quilters have a change of venue and will be meeting at the Bonvilston Reading Rooms from 10am until 3pm on Saturday, March 9. Visitors always receive a warm welcome, so if you would like to learn more

to noon at Bethel Baptist Church

Bring your portable household items, toys, bicycles etc for volunteers to attempt to fix where they can, while

enjoying refreshments.
Children and parent fitness sessions in Llantwit
ARE you looking for something to do with your children on a Sunday morning?

A paw fitness groun for children

A new fitness group for children and parents is starting on March 10 in Llantwit Major and will run every Sunday from 11am-12 noon at Seaview

Children aged from five to 14 are welcome and must be accompanied by an adult.

Sessions are free as Llantwit Major Town Council has secured funds from the Vale of Glamorgan's Community Chest Grant scheme

The town council applied for the grant following the success of the Ladies Bootcamp which also runs on a Sunday morning. Ladies Bootcamp will adopt the new start time of 9.30am and con-

tinue to meet at Llantonian Hall.

MP's surgery

CHRIS Elmore, MP for Ogmore so if you would like to learn more about quilting, come along. There is a £5 charge for visitors. This month's speaker is Joan Weston from Ad Hoc Art Company.

Repair Cafe
THE Repair Cafe will be open for business in Llantwit Major on Saturday, March 9 from 10am to noon at Bethel Bantist Church this is a caseworker surgery only

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Elmore MP's Office, 44a Penybont Road, Pencoed, a joint surgery with Huw Irranca-Davies AM.

ALL Saints Church in Penarth will hold the second in its programme of lunchtime concerts on Monday, March 11.

Performing for the first time at All Saints will be soprano Jaqueline Pischorn and classical guitarist Michael McCartney. Their programme will consist of songs for guitar and voice from the Romantic period by Weber and Kreutzer and solo pieces by Regondi and Giuliani. Michael will play on an instrument from 1800s Vienna. Free entry (donations welcomed) with doors open and refreshments available from 12.30pm, concert begins at 1pm and will last around an hour.

More information, contact Parish Administrator Dafydd G Jones on 02920 703170 or admin@allsaintspenarth.org.

History Society THE next meeting of the Bridgend branch of the Glamorgan Family History Society will be held on Monday, March 18 when Jane Graves will speak about 'Dyffryn Cory Women' at the Len Evans get-togethers.
Centre, off Heol Persondy, If you know anyone who might bene-Aberkenfig CF32 9RF. Old fit from this group, call Anne on 01446 and new members and visitors 772843 or Judith on 01446 794176; we welcome; doors open 7pm for look forward to seeing you. 7.30pm, refreshments available.

Introducing Highlight
Park Cuppa
YOU are invited to a new Monday afternoon social gathering (sponsored by the Vale of Glamorgan Council Mayor's Foundation).

This is a chance for people to meet, chat, and make friends or just pop in for a cuppa after shopping. Everyone is welcome at Highlight Park Community Centre between 2.30pm and 3.30pm; twice a month commencing March 11. every second and fourth Monday of the month

There will be a small charge for refreshments; this is a non-profit making voluntary venture, but we need regular supporters to enable us to continue with the venture

Please come and support us: come along and make friends!

Lift Group

THE Lift Group offers friendship and support to those affected by breast cancer.

The group meets in a family home in Cowbridge once a fortnight, either between 10am and 1pm for relaxation therapies and coffee or 2pm to 4pm for other activities, such as speakers or trips out. Come and join us, bring a friend, for friendly, supportive and confidential

look forward to seeing you. **PACT meetings**

COME along to Gibbonsdown 'Cuppa with a Copper' held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close between 10am and 12 noon.

Gibbonsdown PACT at the Residents Board Covchurch Rise Barry at 10.30am on Tuesday, March 12.

Meet Your Local Officer at Penarth Library on Thursday, March 7 between 11 am and 12 noon.

Llantwit Major police surgery at Llantwit Major Library on Tuesday, March 12 between 10.30am and

Coffee & Chat at the Watermill. Ogmore by Sea at 11am on Tuesday, March 19

Spring Revival meetings COME join us for some good old fashioned gospel preaching at Horeb Chapel, Dinam Close, Nantymoel (CF32 7PU) with Zach Johnson and local pastors.

You are invited to join us on March 23 at 6pm; March 25 at 7pm; March 26 at 7pm and March 27 at 7pm. There will be two speakers each evening.

For more information call Pastor Chris Bluto on 01443 675424.

We are open for the season from Friday, 8th March UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT - Michelle and Gareth welcome vou.

Situated on Porthkerry Leisure Park, the Vale of of Glamorgan. The Ocean Lounge is open to the general public and caravan owners. We serve breakfast and lunches from 9.00am until 2.30pm. We are on the coastal path and welcome walkers to fill up water bottles free of charge. We have a dog-friendly patio with water bowls and a service bell for

outside service. There's a family games room for you and your children. We have a wide variety of events which include local live music and themed evenings.

Food is also available during the evening, between 6.15pm and 9.00pm. Children welcome in the bar, accompanied by an adult, until 9pm. Friday 8th March - Open for breakfast & Lunch - 9am - 2.30pm daily.

Opening Party Night - Retro Vinyl 80s Disco with spot prizes for fancy dress. All welcome.

Saturday 9th March - Open for Breakfast & Lunch - 9am - 2.30pm Rugby - Wales v Scotland 2.00pm (half time sausage rolls and sandwiches) Retro Vinyl 60s & 70s Night.

Saturday 16th March - **RUGBY** - Italy v France 12.30pm • Wales v Ireland 2.45pm • England v Scotland 5.00pm (Free chilli & Chips half time) Evening Entertainment - Live Local Duo "**Harmony Bridge**", covering Everly Brothers, Fleetwood Mac & more.

Saturday 23rd March - Local Live Music - Male/Female Duo "Session", 8pm.

Saturday 29th March - Retro Vinyl 60s & 70s Disco

Saturday 30th March - Local Live Music - Male/Female Trio "Now In A Minute"

Bingo every Saturday night Club opens 7pm

More events to follow.

Check us out on Facebook: The Ocean Lounge Bar & Grill

Car boot Sales will start again in April (weather permitting).

Porthkerry Leisure Park CF62 3ZP - Tel: 01446 711538

City Deal hands out the cash for new transport projects

Capital Region City unceasing the number of Deal has listed the passengers who use the first series of projects where cash will the city deal region. be spent, and these each council getting around £3 million spent in its area.

ment of a bus and rail term opportunities interchange at Barry communities throughout Dock Rail Station, com- south east Wales. the Welsh Government enabling growth, expan-and the UK Government, sion and opportunity to but the 10 local authoribe unlocked. ties in the area are each contributing as well.

to contribute around £.1 to, the next 10 years. mobiling The project, named region

railway each day from 40,000 to 80,000 across

The Leader of BCBC, projects will focus Cllr Huw David, is on transport and the chair of the CCR infrastructure, with said: "The schemes proposed through the Metro Plus programme have been drawn from the The £3 million priorities of individual intended for the Vale councils and mirror the Council area will be 'Metro spine' - creating spent on the develop- both short and longer-'Metro spine' – creating both short and longer-

plete with four to five "The 10 proposed bus bays, provision for schemes within Phase 1 taxis and the potential of the wider Metro Plus Library expand its extension of the existing programme represent a Park and Ride site. The diverse range of projects, £1.2 billion City Deal is with transport as the financed, in the main, by central component for

"Metro Plus provides the potential to develop The Vale Council, for a whole programme of instance, is being asked activity that contributes complements and million each year over enhances Metro and the next 10 years. Metro mobility delivery in the

Flower demonstration for floral society members



from Budding and Designs in Barry received a warm welcome on a warm February afternoon know their stuff and I've Society's

Nicola said: "It was been more welcoming." a privilege to be invited a flower demonstration out thoroughly enjoyed ing

Nicola talking them through demonstrating different arrangements, floristry techniques and a few trade secrets.

"These ladies certainly Barry Floral met some lovely and recent knowledgeable members. demonstration day. They could not have

Contact the Barry to provide the club with Floral Society to find about becommember.

Local company helps build **Rhoose Lego Club**



PICTURED (left to right) Amanda Ali, Rhoose Community Library Lego Club manager, Gabriella Barrington, Luke Nowell and Tarmac's Kara Bennett.

TARMAC'S Aberthaw plant is helping Rhoose Community Lego Club after donating essential

storage containers. The club, which started last year and now welcomes around 20 young children each week, received the donation of four huge Lego containers

Planning approved for Hood Road goods shed

development
PLANNING permission has been granted, subject to conditions, for the conversion of the historic Hood Road goods shed in Barry and construction of a "steel container village" alongside.

The Goodsheds development will become home to a mix of businesses including restaurants, a bar and brewery, a tech hub and 11 live-work residential units. There will be a total of 40 containers available for pop-up restaurants and small

Separate proposals on the same site include the delivery of up to 42 rental properties

A single storey drive-through coffee bar and space for a farmers market are also proposed. Construction is expected to begin within months to house their growing collection.

Set up to give local voungsters the chance to take part in various fun challenges to help improve maths architecture and engi-neering skills, the club continues to grow but is reliant on donations in order to continue running. Club volunteer,

Christine Jakeway, said: "We are thrilled to have the support of Tarmac and without such donations, we simply wouldn't be able to put on the club each week. "Children think they're coming to play and build with Lego, but they're doing so much more. We have activities and challenges that require them to put their skills to the test in a fun environment.

"Tarmac has played a huge supporting role to the library and it's great that the team at Aberthaw is supporting us to put on more at the library so that it remains a facility for everyone in the local Rhoose community.'

Kara Bennett Tarmac Aberthaw's environmental co-ordinator, said: "When we found out about the Lego Club, we jumped at the chance to donate the storage boxes. We hope the club will encourage young people from all backgrounds in the community to develop in the areas of innovation and engineering.

"In our industry we know first-hand the importance of children playing with things like Lego – it really does open their minds and tests their various skills - you never know where it will help them in the future!

Lego Club runs every Monday and Friday between 3.30pm-4.30pm at Rhoose Community

A traditional Welsh welcome at Rhoose Library



ST David's Day was celebrated in traditional style at Rhoose Community Library.

Volunteers dressed in Welsh costume and refreshments including homemade Welsh cakes went down a treat. There was also a very successful raffle of authentic Welsh produce. The event raised £145 for library funds.

Pictured above is helper and library supporter,

Trussell Trust managers meet Vale AM

VALE AM Jane **Hutt met Trussell** Trust operations manager for Wales and south west **England Susan** Lloyd-Selby and area manager Kate Gronow recently to discuss their work supporting foodbanks in the Vale and across the UK.

Ms Hutt learned that the latest statistics suggest that foodbanks have experienced a record

Ms Hutt said: "I understand that benefits issues, including the wait for a first Universal Credit payment, is a key trigger for a foodbank referral. I chair a Universal Credit Round Table and I know that referrals to foodbanks have gone up in the Vale as Universal Credit is rolled out."

"It is great to meet the Trussell Trust key managers who are based in Barry but work widely across the country

Domestic abuse referral service shortlisted for award

A HOUSING scheme providing support for victims of domestic abuse in the Vale has been shortlisted for a national award.

The Vale Council's Domestic Abuse Assessment and Referral (DARRC) service has been recognised in the UK Housing Awards' 'Innovator of the Year

Launched in 2018, the service aims to reduce the number of repeat incidents of domestic abuse by identifying from the first instance

what support is most suitable for the resident.

The Council hopes to achieve an improved support pathway for the service user, improve efficiency by working closely with partner agencies - and to lower the risk of the incident escalating

During the service's first six months, more than 1,100 referrals came in, with 89 per cent referred to the appropriate professionals for support

Business awards scheme launched

BRIDGEND Town Council has recently launched a new Business Awards scheme for 2018/19 which aims to acknowledge the contributions made towards life from businesses operating within the three Town Council wards of Morfa, Oldcastle, and Newcastle.

Anyone can nominate a business for one or more awards in the following categories: Best Shop Front Award; Best Customer Service Award: AS Disability Awareness

award (this award is in conjunction with the Bridgend Coalition of Disabled People and Heronsbridge School): The Best New Business Award and The Business Community Award

Information has been included on the Bridgend Town Council website at www bridgendtowncouncil. gov.uk/latest-news. aspx and is on www facebook.com/ bridgendtowncouncil

Motor-cycle pilot 'to deter weaving and dodging'

M O T O R - would be able to drive bus lanes in the Vale.

The council is set to introduce a temporary traffic order for up to 18 months to allow motor-cycles in bus lanes, to deter them weaving through authority to another giams and dodg- Motorbikes are traffic jams and dodg-

ing oncoming traffic. If the pilot, which could last up to 18 the city's council held a months, is deemed suc- six-month trial in 2015. motorcyclists

CYCLES will soon in bus lanes permanently.

be able to drive in bus lanes permanently.

The Vale Council cabinet will consider the experimental traffic regulation order over

the next two months. The rules on whether motorbikes can use bus lanes without risking fines vary from one local

allowed to use bus lanes in Cardiff after

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Gofynnodd Ymgynghoriad Cyllideb y Cyngor Tref a oedd trigolion Y Barri yn hapus iddo gynyddu'r gyllideb 99c y mis Icodiad o 20% Ler mwyn gweithredu. of gynlluniau a'r wasanaethau

Seth cedd eich edberth?

Yr ymateb gan y cyhoedd oedd nad oeddent yn croesawu'r cynnydd hwn. Roedd llawer o ddryswch ynghylch cyfrifoldebau'r Cyngor Tref a chyfrifoldebau Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, ac o'r herwydd nid oedd rhai sylwadau yn berthnasol i gyllideb y Cyngor Tref. Awgrymodd rhai y dylld gwario llai ar Dân Gwyllt. goleuadau Nadolig ac arddangosiadau blodau, ond roedd eraill yn hapus i dalu i gefnogi'r rhain. Roedd rhai sylwadau yn dangos carnganfyddiad neu gamddealltwriaeth ynghylch cynigion y gyllideb a gwaith y Cyngor Tref.

O'r herwydd, gwrandawodd Cyngor Tref Y Barri ar y pryderon hyn ac fe gyfarfu ar ddydd Llun, 11 Chwefror 2019 a phenderfynodd gynyddu'r gyllideb 10.0416. - cynnydd o 44c y mis ar gyfer trigollion Y Barri, sy'n golygu y bydd talwr Treth Cyngor Band D yn Y Barri yn cyfrannu £57.86 i'r Cyngor Tref am y flwyddyn nesafi cost o £4.52 y mis.

Pa erbeden wassthen ni?



Cafodd arbedion eu gwneud trwy leihau cyflidebau ar gyfer llungopio, argraffu, deunydd swyddfa, lletygarwch y Maer a rhoddion dinesig, digwyddiadau confloraethol. Coleuadau Nadolig, ymgysylltu cymunedol a thrwy ddefnyddio arian wrth gefn i dalu am welliannau i'r Fynwent llsydd ffens newydd sydd ei hangen yn costio £24,500).

Penderfynodd y Cyngor beidio cyflawni unrhyw brosiectau newydd yn y Fynwent nac yn Neuadd Pioneer ac i beidio neilltuo cyllideb o £50,000 ar gyfer cyflwyno gwasanaethau newydd i'r dyfodol. Mae'r Cyngor wedi lleihau faint o arian mae'n ei roi wrth gefn ar gyfer offer a pheiriannau a gwaith atgyweirio ffordd yn y Fynwent. Dyfid nodi y dylai fod gan y Cyngor rhwng 5 a 12 mis o gostau gweithredol wedi'u cadw wrth gefn er mwyn cynnai llywodraethiant ariannol da

Ar both tyddwn ni'n canolawyntia elem?

prosiectau mawr yn y flwyddyn ariannol nesaf yn cynnwys symud swyddfeydd i Neuadd. y Dref fel y gallwn fod yn fwy canolog a hygyrch i'r cyhoedd yn ogystal â gorffen adeiladu Canolfan Cymunedol newydd yn Rhodfa'r Fynwent (mewn partneriaeth â Chynger Bro Morgannwal.



Beth mee'r Cyngor Tref yn wneud?

Cyngor Tref Y Barri yw eich Cyngor lleol ac mae'n gorff cwbl ar wahân i Cyngor Bro Morgannwg. Y Cyngor Tref yw'i haen fwyaf lleol o lywodraeth, ac o'r herwydd ef sy'n delio â materion lleol sy'n effeithio'r Barri ac sy'n darparu rhai o wasanaethau cymunedol lleol Y Barri. Mae Cyngor Tref Y Barri yn gyfrifol am redog Mynwent Morthyr Dyfan. Neuadd Cymunedol Pioneor, swyddia Mae'r y Dref, digwyddiadau a gweithgareddau lleol. Mae'r Cyngor yn ariannu'r arddingosiad Tân Gwyllt. Goleuadau Nedolig mewn ardaloedd siopa, ciniawau Nadolig i bobl hŷn, y Neuadd Coffa ac mae'n rhoi grantiau i fudiadau cymunedd lleol i gyflawni gweithgareddau. Mae'r Cyngor Tref yn cynnig sylwadau ar bob cas cynflunio ond ru all wneud penderfyniadau ar gynllunio. Cyngor Bro Morgannwg yw'r Awdurdod Union ar mae ganddo ddyletswyddau statudol y mae'n rhaid iddo eu cyflawni megis gwasanaethau cymdeithasol, addyso, priffyrdd, shwriel (i anwi rhai yn unid). addysg priffyrdd slowrigi (i enwi rhai yn unig)

Mae Cyngor Tref Y Barri yn ariannu'r Goleuadau Nadolig ar y Stryd Fawr, Heol Holton a Chilgant y Parc. Mae'r goleuadau Nadolig yn cael eu cefnogi a'u gwerthfawrogi'n fawr gan fasnachwyr sy'n ysgwyddo costau'r trydan rhyngddynt. Nae masnachwyr y Stryd Fawr a Heol Holton hefyd yn trefnu'r digwyddiadau sy'n gysylltiedig â throi'r geleuadau Nadolig ymlaen, er enghraifft, a bydd yn codi arian ar gyfer y digwyddiadau hyn trwy gydol y flwyddyn. Maen rhw'n aml yn gwneud cais i'r Cyngor Tref am gymorth ariannol ar gyfer y digwyddiadau hyn hefyd. Mae Cyngor Bro Morgannwg yn gyhrfol am gau healydd.

Mae Cyngor Tief Y Barti wedi ariannu arddangosiad Tân Gwyllt Y Barri a drefnwyd gan y Clwb Rotari am nifer o flynyddoedd. Mae'r Cyngor Tief, yn ariannu cost y tan gwyllt, y system sain, yswiniant ac ari, ac mae'r Clwb Rotari yn codi arian frwy gydol y Rwyddyn er mwyn cyflawni eu nodau elusennol. Eleni, cefnogodd Bord Gron Y Barri y digwyddiad trary drefnu adloniant ychwanegol: y bwriad yw y bydd digwyddiad Fiesta Tân Gwyllt 2019 yn adeiladu ar un y llynedd. Roedd cyfraniad Cyngor Tref Y Barri y llynedd yn £10,000 er mwyn gwneud y digwyddiad yn un rhad ac am ddim i'r cyhoedd ac yn un cynhwysol y gallai pawb oi fwynhau

Roedd yr arddangosiadau blodau yn Heel Holton yn lenter a gyflwynwyd i'r Grŵp Siopa'n Lleol gan fasnachwyr Heel Holton oedd yn teimfe y byddai gwella golwg yr heel yn gwella'r profiad siopa. Mae'r costau cychwynnol wedi bod yn unch oherwydd y bu'n rhaid prymu'r potiau plannu, costau cyflenwi a'r costau cynnal a chadw parhaus y mae'r Cyngor yn eu talu i Cyngor Bro Morgannwg i'w cynnal a chadw yn rhan o'u His-adran Parciau. Felly, bydd y potiau plannu yn costro llai eleni. Y cynlluniau i'r dyfodol yw trefnu tim o wirfoddolwyr i ofalu am yr arddangosiadau er mwyn lleihau costau fwy fyth

Sut allwich thi didwand eith itwand?

- Rhosch adborth inns ar ein gwasanaethau
- o Call y cyhoedd ddod i gyfarfodydd y Cyngor Fref o Mae agenda a chofnodion ar y wefan ac yn y Llyfrgell o Os ydych yn famachydd lleel gallech ymuno â'i grŵp Siopa'n Lleel
- o Os ydych yn grŵp cymunedol, cysylltwch â'n Swyddog Datblygu Cymunedol i drafod eith syniadau





Thank you for taking the time to engage with us, either by taking part in our online poll or leaving your comments. We engaged with over 1000 people in Barry which is a fantastic

Throughout the engagement process, the Council recognises that there have been a few misconceptions regarding the work of the Town Council and we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some further information.

Listening to your voice

What did we ask?

The Town Council's Budget Consultation asked if residents of Barry were happy for the budget to be increased by 89p per month la 20% increasel in order to deliver its plans and services

What did you feedback?

The response from the public was that this increase was not favourable. There was a lot of confusion about the Town Council's responsibilities and the Vale of Clamorgan Council's responsibilities so some comments were not relevant to the Town Council's budget. Some suggested spending less on Fireworks, Christmas lights and floral displays: whilst others were happy to pay to support these. Some comments showed a misperception or misunderstanding of the budget proposals and the work of the Town Council.

What did we do?

As a result, Barry Town Council listened to these concerns and met on Monday, 11 February 2019 and resolved to increase the budget by 10.04% - an increase of 44p per month to Barry residents, which means that a Band D Council Tax payer in Barry will be contributing £57.86 to the Town Council for next year; a cost of £4.52 per month.

What savings did we make?

Efficiencies and savings have been made by reducing budgets for photocopying, printing, stationery, Mayor's hospitality and civic gifts, corporate events, Christmas Lights, community engagement and by using reserves to fund improvements to the Cemetery (a partial new fence required will cost £24,500).

The Council resolved not to deliver any new projects at the Cemetery or at Pioneer Hall and not to put aside a \$50,000 budget for future new services to be delivered. The Council has reduced how much it is putting into reserves for equipment and machinery and road repairs in the Cemetery

It should be noted that the Council should have between 3 and 12 months operating costs held in reserves in order to uphold good financial governance.

What will we focus on this year?

Large projects in the coming financial year include moving the offices to the Town Hall so that we can be more central and accessible to the public as well as completing the building of a new Community Centre at Cemetery Approach lin partnership with the Vale of Clamorgan Council L

What does the Town Council do?



Barry Town Council is your local Council and a completely separate body to the Vale of Glamorgan Council. The Town Council is the most local layer of government and as such deals with local issues that affect Barry and offers some of Barry's local community services. Barry Town Council is responsible for running Merthyr Dyfan Cometery. Pioneer Community Hall, the office of the Town Mayor, local events and activities. The Council funds the Fireworks display. Christmas Lights in shopping areas, older people's Christmas dinners, the Memorial Hall and gives grants to local community grants to deliver activities. The Town Council comments on every planning application but cannot make decisions on planning. The Vale of Glamorgan Council is the Unitary Authority and has statutory duties that it must deliver such as social services, education, highways, refuse (to name but a few).

Barry Town Council funds the Christmas Lights at High Street, Holton Road and Park Croscent, The Christmas lights are supported and appreciated greatly. by Traders who fund the electricity costs between themselves. High Street and Holton Road Traders also organise the events which accompany the Christmas lights switch on, for example and will fundraise for these events throughout the year. They often apply to the Town Council for financial support for these events too. The Vale of Clamorgan Council is responsible for road closures.

Barry Town Council has funded the Barry Firework display for a number of years organised by the Rotary Club. The Town Council funds the cost of the fireworks, the PA system, insurance etc. whilst the Rotary Club fundraises throughout the year to deliver their charitable aims. This year, Barry Round Table supported the event by organising additional entertainment; it is planned that the 2019 Fireworks Flesta event will build on last year's. Barry Town Council's contribution last year was £10,000 in order to make the event free to the public and inclusive for all to enjoy

The floral displays at Holton Road were an initiative brought to the Shop Local Group by traders of Holton Road who felt improving the appearance of the road would improve the shopping experience. The initial costs have been higher due to the purchase of the planters, delivery and the ongoing maintenance costs that the Council pays the Vale of Glamorgan Council to maintain as part of their Parks Division. Therefore, the planters will cost loss this year. The future plans are to enlist a team of volunteers to maintain the displays to reduce the costs even further.

How can you have your say?

- o Cive us feedback on our services
- o The public can actend Town Council meetings
- o Agendas and minutes are on the website and in the Library o If you are a local trader you can join the Shop Local group
- o If you are a community group, get in touch with our Community Development Officer with your ideas



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Rotary club celebrates St David's Day

MEMBERS the Rotary Club of Barry and their guests celebrated St David's Day in style with a breakfast in Brynhill Golf Club early on the morning of March 1.

President Jill Osborne welcomed everyone, especially guest speaker RIBI national president elect Donna Wallbank, thanking them all for their support so early in the morning! Associate member Beth Longley then said Grace in Welsh.

After a most appetising full Welsh breakfast prepared by chef Mark and his staff, president Jill introduced Donna Wallbank who gave a most interesting talk on her Rotary journey and spoke of many of the projects that Rotary is involved in, encouraging everyone to work together for a peaceful world, while also paying tribute to St David

President Jill Osborne warmly thanked Donna president elect David for taking time from her busy schedule to attend the St David's Day breakfast, presenting her with flowers and a Welsh love spoon; and wished her every success for her retary Ann Harrhy, Area year as RIBI national 4 governor Brian Pippen. president 2019/20, which will begin on July 1.

A raffle and clos-'Rotary ing toast to International Rotarians the concluded



special Rotary friendship and fellowship to celebrate St David, the patron saint of Wales

The Rotary Club of Barry meets weekly in Brynhill Golf Club on Thursdays at 6.30pm. For further information contact Barry Rotary 07533 Jakeway on 048620 or look online at www.ribi.org.

Pictured from left: Barry Rotary Club secpresident Jill Osborne, Donna Wallbank, District 1150 governor Clive Edwards, Mr Steve world Wallbank and Mrs Gill a Edwards.

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'All-Wales approach to revising speed limits needed' says councillor

Cllr Geoff Cox, has written to Minister and sets an all-Wales approach. for Economy and Transport Ken Skates AM to set out the council's view that

St David's Day celebrated at charity twmpath

THE Vale for Africa charity held a twmpath on St David's Day at the St Donat's Centre at Atlantic College. The event was supported by Jane Hutt AM, Cowbridge, Llantwit Major and Barry town council mayors and the Lord Lieutenant Morfudd Meredith.

Raising funds for the charity's Eve Care Project in the Tororo district of Eastern Uganda, local optometrists led by Ted Arbuthnot take an eye care team on an annual visit to the area to provide treatment and training

The twmpath provided an opportunity for more Uganda, including support for students at Atlantic College from the Tororo community

THE Vale Council's cabinet member for 20mph speed limits cannot be realised Neighbourhood Services and Transport, unless Welsh Government takes the lead

While traffic speed is recognised as being a major contributory factor to the severity of road traffic collisions, evidence to date on the success of 20mph limits, in respect to them having any significant impact on road traffic collisions or casualties, is limited. Cllr Cox said: "I can see the potential benefits of 20mph speed limits for specific traffic speed related problems. I recognise that there are a number of local and national groups advocating the introduction of such limits on a significant scale across the Vale of Glamorgan, a number of whom I have personally met; however I am also aware that there are many residents in the Vale who are opposed to the concept.

'Changing the minimum speeds in many areas of the Vale from 30mph to 20mph, as is being suggested by some groups, represents a major decision for this council and one which I feel requires input and guidance from our national Government; due to the lack of evidence available of their success to date, the juxtaposition of our residents, the cost of their introduction (which is estimated at £700k for this council), and the fact that this is a Wales, or even, a UK wide issue.

There are a number 20mph zones in the Vale The twmpath provided an opportunity for more of Glamorgan, the majority of which have been than 100 people to hear more about the work in implemented as part of an initiative to create safer routes to schools

Matt Discombe, Local Democracy Reporter

Vale-built Aston **Martin DBX** on show at No. 10 St David's Day event



THE best of Welsh industry, produce, and culture was celebrated at 10 **Downing Street at** a reception hosted by the Prime Minister for St David's Day.

Among those celebrating Wales national day were world-renowned fashion designer Julien Macdonald OBE and Chairman of the Welsh Rugby Union Gareth Davies

The new Aston Martin DBX – built at the marque's new manufacturing plant in the Vale – was parked in Downing Street. The site will become Aston Martin's 'home of electrification', putting Wales at the forefront of electric technology and bringing over 700 new jobs to the region.

Inside Number 10 Welsh creative talent was centre stage; Julien Macdonald showcased a selection of his fashion range while guests enjoyed musical performances from Welsh choir Côr Llundain and harpist Dylan Wyn Rowlands.

Prime Minister Theresa May said: "The sheer breadth of talent and industry represented here today is testament

to the huge contribution the people of Wales make both at home and on the world stage.

"From music to manufacturing, fashion to food, it is a real privilege to celebrate Wales' proud heritage and bright future ahead of St David's Day.

"Wales has a truly global outlook and I am determined to see this great nation go from strength to strength.

Secretary of State for Wales, and Vale MP. Alun Cairns (pictured with Aston Martin Lagonda CEO Dr Andy Palmer) said: "I am delighted to celebrate St David's Day by opening the doors of No10 once again to welcome guests from all aspects of Welsh culture in celebration of our unique history, language, sporting and business achievements.

"I'd like to thank all those who came together to make the event a success today. It is a clear demonstration of the UK Government and the Prime Minister's commitment to Wales, recognising that Wales is an integral part of our union

GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (LLWYBR CYHOEDDUS Y BARRI Rhifau 31 (BARRY PUBLIC FOOTPATH Nos 31 & 73) a 73) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2019 (CAU DROS DRO) 2019

Mae Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adran 14 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill yn cynnig, mewn dim lain ar 7 diwrnod o ddyddiad yr Hysbysiad hwn, wneud Gorchymyn a fydd yn gwneud yr hyn a ddisgrifir yn yr atodlenni isod: -

ATODLEN 1

Ni chaiff unrhyw un gerdded yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn

ATODLEN 2

Bydd llwybr troed (Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus) a elwir y Barri Rhif 73 ar gau o bwynt 35 metr o'r gyffordd â Clos Cwm y Barri i'r de-orllewin i ben y llwybr troed. Lleoliad 1

Yn ystod y cyfnod hwn ni fydd gwyriad ond bydd mynediad i'r

Amgen cáe Lleoliad 2

Ffordd

Hyd

Bydd llwybr troed (Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus) a elwir y Barri Rhif 31 ar gau o'r pwynt lle mae'n cwrdd â Ffordd Fynediad yr Orsaf Bwmpio am 200 metr i'r de-orllewin.

Ffordd Bydd gwyriad trwy Salisbury Road, Oxford Street, Fishponds

Amgen a Llwybr Troed Rhif 32

Rheswm Atal perygl i'r cyhoedd o ganlyniad i waith gosod peipiau Dŵr Cymru.

O 9.00am ddydd Llun 1 Ebrill 2019 am hyd at chwe mis

Dyddiedig 7 Mawrth 2019 Cyfarwyddwr Gwasanaethau Gweladwy a Thai Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, The Alps, Gwenfô CF5 6AA



Order the general effect of which is as described in the schedules below: **SCHEDULE 1**

The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14

of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers intends in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an

No person shall proceed on foot in the location specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Barry Number 73 closed from a point 35 metres from its junction with

Clos Cwm Barri in a south westerly direction to the footpath end. Alt. Route

Location 1

Location 2

During this closure there will be no diversion but access to the field will still be available.

Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Barry Number 31 closed from the point it meets the Pumping Station Access Road for a distance of 200 metres in a south westerly direction.

Alt. Route

A diversion via Salisbury Road, Oxford Street, Fishponds Hill and Footpath Number 32 will be available Reason To prevent danger to the Public as a result of Dwr Cymru Welsh Water pipe laying works being carried out. From 9.00am on Monday 1st April 2019 for a maximum Duration

period of six months

Dated this 7th day of March 2019 **Director of Visible Services & Housing** Vale of Glamorgan Council, The Alps, Wenvoe. CF5 6AA.



Brass band and choir perform for charity

BARRY Community Choir and Barry Brass Band performed at the recent charity concert for the Mayor of Barry, held last month in St Helen's Church, Barry.

The band played a selection of music, and the choir of over 30 singers, sang melodies old and new.

Thanks to all who organised the event and supported it on the night; we hope that it raised a large sum for the Mayor's charities.

Two busy months start the year at Camera Cl

AFTER the excesses of Christmas and the New Year celebrations, Barry Camera Club met on January 4 for a presentation of prints by Barbra Archdale-Smith, ARPS.

Barbra is a long-established member of the club, having served on committee for many years including stints as both chair and vice-chair. For the first half of the evening we were treated to some exquisitely presented pictures of Tuscany and Venice, which included the images that formed her successful ARPS panel.

The landscapes of Tuscany were the result of multiple visits over a number of years and displayed the deep love she has for the area. After coffee we were shown Barbra's other work, taken throughout Europe over the years, which demonstrated a wide variety of subject matter and general pictorial styles, all backed up by her usual high-quality printing and presentation. Thank you, Barbra, for a very enjoyable evening.

The 11th of the month featured Brian Coleman EFIAP. FWPF, who we have not seen for some time. Instead of the usual pictorial evening, Brian gave us a talk entitled 'What I Look For As A

Our monthly competition is fiercely contested but we do seem to get one or two of the members being more successful than most of the others.

This presentation gave the rest of us lesser mortals some clues and tips on how to make our entries more acceptable to a judge. Having made us aware of the importance of style, composition, subject matter and presentation, we were given a practical session where Brian showed us some of his own work and asked us to award a score to it, as if we were judging it.

After we had cast our votes he told us the scores that each had received when they were entered into various competitions - needless to say the marks often differed considerably, which Brian explained was due to our voting high on pictures that we liked and low on those that we

This summary explained why some of our

pictures have not scored as well as we would have liked. In all, this was a very interesting and rewarding night, especially as Brian is booked to judge one of our monthly competitions later in the year.

On January 18 we were given a joint presentation by two of our members, Dave Green and Kathy Edwards. Each gave an impressive and varied presentation based upon their particular interests. Dave showed a wide variety of sport and music subjects, and Kathy showed us shots

taken on her travels over the years.

On the first of February we were given a fabulous presentation by Alyn Wallace, of Llanelli. Alyn battled the weather to get to us and present his low light 'nightscapes' and astro-photography work and was welcomed warmly.

He first came to us a year ago and it was obvious then from the quality of his work that he would be a great success. Since then, he has gone from strength to strength having success in major competitions such as Astro Photographer of the Year, numerous periodical publications and image sales; his success has been so great that he has now turned professional.

The scope of his work is truly phenomenal: Turkey, the Dolomites, Iceland, the Canary Islands, Spain and Italy all featured as well as numerous shots taken in the Brecon Beacons.

The night-sky shots showed star trails, meteor showers and images of the Milky Way, with a particularly memorable shot taken on the Spanish island of La Palma, showing the moon rising through the arch of the Milky Way.

Alyn was very generous with tips and advice explaining in detail his entire workflow and describing what equipment is needed and, more importantly, how to use it! Several of the members have expressed an interest in trying out this technique and we look forward to seeing some of their efforts in future competitions.

Thank you, Alyn, for one of the most interesting nights we have had in a long time and we look forward to your next visiting on January 20

On February 8, we visited the Vale Camera Club at Ynysowen for our annual seven-way print battle. Each club entered four colour prints and four monochrome prints. The competition judge gave a constructive and critical assessment and expressed his pleasure at the quality on show, with Barry coming a creditable joint third.

On the 15th we were visited by Gerald Davies who gave us a talk entitled 'Photographic Composition from Basic to Advanced Techniques'

Gerald, a vastly experienced photographer. gave a very succinct definition of "composition to arrange the subject matter in the frame to give a pleasant photograph". A more detailed explanation dealt with the major compositional tools of the 50/50 split, the rule of thirds, the golden ratio, symmetry, leading lines and many others.

One of the key points he made was that it is not essential to have a bag full of expensive equipment to make good photographs – as the famous landscape photographer Ansel Adams once said: "The single most important component of a camera is the 12 inches behind it."

The final meeting of the month on the 22nd was, as always, our monthly competition and the guest judge on this occasion was old friend of the club Johnnie Rogers ARPS, AFIAP, AWPF, CPAGB. Johnnie gave a measured and constructive criticism and expressed his pleasure in the overall standard of the entries which inevitably led to the marking being very close.

Best mono print scoring 20 points was judged to be Glenn Porter's 'North American River Otters'. Second place, scoring 19 points, was Rob Owens' 'Timber Remains' and third place with 18 points was awarded to Barbra Archdale-Smith for her 'Demi Johns'. Highly commended in the monochrome prints section was Glenn Porter for 'Trwyn Du Lighthouse.

Colour prints were equally tightly marked. Glenn Porter did rather well, gaining first place with 20 points for 'Early Morning On The River

Barbra Archdale-Smith gained second place

and 19 points for her '44 Over Three' and Kathy Edwards was awarded third place and 18 points for 'Picnic On The Edge'. Highly commended in this section was Rob Owens for 'Autumn at Llyn Trawsfynydd'

The projected images section did, as usual, attract the largest entry and Johnnie found it easier to separate the highest scorers in this section. First place was won by Glenn Porter who was awarded 20 points for 'Quad Bike Racing', Philippa Evans gained second place and 19 points for 'Frozen Lake!' and third place with 18 points was awarded to Glenn Porter for 'Surfer'.

Just missing out on the placings was Nicola Thwaite, who was awarded a highly commended and 18 points for her 'Streets of Morocco'. Congratulations to all for a well-deserved 'mention in despatches', in particular to Glenn for multiple successes.

Throughout the rest of the year we have a full programme of talks, demonstrations, photographic expeditions, competitions and inter-club battles planned. New members are particularly encouraged and will be made most welcome with a programme being prepared especially for the new and less experienced photographers to allow them to quickly gain more proficiency and satisfaction from their hobby.

During the summer we will be holding open days and field trips to encourage people to learn a little more about the art of photography and produce better pictures.

Barry Camera Club meets every Friday evening from 7pm to 9.30pm at St Francis Millennium Centre, Porth-y-Castell, Barry, CF62 6NX. We are a very friendly organisation and new members of all experience and skill levels are always welcome to attend with no obligation to join. Alternatively, for more information visit barrycameraclub.co.uk.





Heol Finch, Barry, CF62 5BW

GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT This property comprises of communal hallway, hallway, lounge/ kitchen/breakfast area, two bedrooms and a family bathroom. Situated on the new Quays development on Barry Waterfront. Close to all local amenities including shops, school, and Barry Island train station offering easy access to Barry town and Cardiff city centre. A short distance to Barry Island seaside resort and the Heritage coast. Viewings are highly recommended to fully appreciate.

Asking Price Of £125,000

Honeywell, Windsor Road, Barry, CF62 7AW

The Windsor Lofts development is Barry's latest high end regeneration project. Constructed by award winning developers Loft co. It is a collection of 1,2,3&4 bedroom apartments and townhouses. It is situated in the ever popular West end of Barry close to all local amenities including shops, schools, public transport and a short distance to blue flag beaches. Benefitting from many original features and many unrivalled benefits including smart TVs, natural slate roofs, Lift to all apartments and a checkmate 10 yr builders guarantee. Viewings highly recommended to fully appreciate

Asking Price Of £295,000

Portland Drive, Barry, CF62 5AU
IDEAL FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS. This mid linked house comprises of hallway, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, landing, two double bedrooms and a family bathroom. The property benefits from double glazing, gas central heating, enclosed rear garden and an allocated parking space. Being situated on the popular Quays side of Barry Waterfront. Close to Barry Island seaside resort and the Heritage coax. Close proximity to shops, schools and local public transport offerie asy access into Barry town centre and Cardiff city centre. WELL PRESENTED THROUGHOUT. Viewings are highly recommended to fully appreciate

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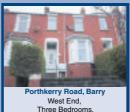
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DIMOND Colin Wayne

Peacefully at College Fields Nursing Home, Barry with his loving wife Irene at his bedside on 3rd March, Colin formerly of Robert Street, Barry. Dearly beloved husband of Irene, much loved father of the late Stephen, father-in-law of Joss. Adored grampy of Becky, Aaron, Louis, Millie and the late Hannah.

Colin will be sadly missed by all his loving family and friends.

Colin is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Home, 181 Court Road, Barry until his funeral service and committal at the Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Tuesday,

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu of flowers to Ty Hafan and to Alzheimer's Society Cymru. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Anthony D.H. Thomas.

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RAWLE

Pat (*née* Goode)

Pat passed away peacefully after a short illness at Llandough Hospital on 21st February 2019, aged 75 years. Beloved mother of Kevin and Stephen, much loved daughter-in-law to Debbie. Cherished and loved grandmother to Carys. Sister of Michael, Richard and the late Edward (Bicki).

Pat will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at 10am on Monday, 11th March at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry.

Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired in memory of Pat, to a charity of your own choice.

TYRRELL

Frederick Raymond (Ray)

Peacefully at home on 22nd February, Ray, devoted husband to Jan, much loved dad of Daniel, survived by Nicola, Claire and Adam. Ray will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale
Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service
at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on
Monday, 18th March at 2pm. No flowers by request Donations, if desired, may be sent to Ward B4 Haematology Unit, University Hospital Of Wales, Cardiff, CF14 4XW in memory of Ray. Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962.

SCOTT

Andrew

Peacefully on 2nd March with his family at his side, Andrew passed away aged 52 years. A devoted father of Jake, most dear son of Pam Scott-Edwards and step father Eric Edwards. Precious brother of Simon, Martin and Jonathan A dear uncle of Nicky and Cerys.

'We will Never Ever Forget You

Andrew is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until n celebration of his life at All Saint's Church, Park Road, Barry on Tuesday, 19th March at 12.45pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry

Family floral tributes only please. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support Cat Protection in memory of Andrew

Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962

BUTCHER

Charles Henry

Peacefully on 24th February, Charles, aged 89 years, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

Charles will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Tuesday, 12th March at 11am.

No flowers by request. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for Marie Curie Hospice Penarth c/o the funeral director.

HUNT

Thomas (Tom)

Peacefully surrounded by family and friends on 3rd March 2019, aged 89 years, devoted husband of the late Jean.

Tom will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, until the service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Thursday, 14th March at 10am.

Family flowers only donations may be made in memory of Tom in favour of The British Heart Foundation at the service.

HALL Anona

(Formerly Ridley)

It is with great sadness the family announces It is with great sadness the family announces the passing of Anona Hall, after a courageous battle against motor neurone disease. She slipped away peacefully on 26th February 2019 at the Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth. Cherished and adored wife to Frank. Loved by her family and many friends.

Anona was a special lady who will be greatly missed by all who knew her and whose hearts she touched.

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare, Llantwit Major until the service on Wednesday, 13th March at 10am, Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend. Family flowers only.

The family would like to thank the hospice, NHS staff and carers who looked after Anona so well and have supported the family throughout.

onations, in lieu of flowers, to the Motor Neurone Disease Association and Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth in memory of Anona Hall.

KENT

Christopher Roy James

Sadly on 3rd March 2019, Chris aged 75 years, loved husband of Chris (Mrs), much loved dad of Jeremy and Suzanne, also loved grandad to Louisa.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the ervice at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Friday, 15th March at 2pm.

No flowers by request donations in lieu, if so desired, for The Salvation Army c/o the funeral director. Please wear colourful attire, no black tie.

SCOTT Andrew

To a very precious Andrew, son of Anthony Scott and step brother of Debbie and husband Nick. Uncle to Tom and Emily, loving nephew to David Barbara and their families

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WARNER Frank Richard

Peacefully at Llandough Hospital, Penarth on 26th February 2019, Frank of Dock View Road, Barry. Dearly beloved husband of Margaret, oving brother of Monica and Ray, brother-in-law of Pat and the late Ray. Adored uncle to all his nieces and nephews.

Frank is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, 181 Court Road, Barry until his funeral service at St Cadoc's Old Village Church Barry on Friday, 15th March at 1pm, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery at 2pm

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu of flowers to Alzheimer's Society Cymru.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Anthony D.H. Thomas.

MATHERS

Teresa

Peacefully on 28th February at Llandough Hospital, Teresa passed away surrounded by her adored family.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Teresa is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until being received into St Helen's RC Church, Barry on Sunday, 17th March at 12 noon. Her Requiem Mass Sunday, 17th March at 12 noon. Her Requiem Mas to take place on Monday 18th March at 10.30am, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery. Family floral tributes only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support Diabetes UK in memory of Teresa.

Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962

BICHARD Leonard Charles

Len passed away peacefully on 27th February 2019 at Llandough Hospital, after a short illness bravely borne, aged 94 years. Cherished father of Deryn and Graham. Much loved grandfather to Wayne, Karen, Kelly, Sarah, John and Beleeze.

Len will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

In a service will be held at Cardiff & Glamorgan lemorial Park Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry on Thursday, 14th March at 2pm.

Family flowers only. Donations in memory of Len can be made to Cancer Research Wales.

ROWLANDS Malcolm Edward

(Mac the Milk)

On Monday, 4th March, Malcolm passed away at the Marie Curie Hospice Penarth, aged 77 years, after a brave fight against cancer. Much loved dad brother and grampy and is already greatly missed Funeral on Monday, 11th March at 1pm at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry. Family flowers only and donations to Marie Curie welcomed.

RAYBOULD

Elizabeth (Betty)

After a short illness Betty passed away peacefully in her sleep. Beloved wife of Haydn, much loved mother of Kevin, Gary and Beverley. Loving nan and great nan.

Betty will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Wednesday, 20th March, service and cremation 1.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend, Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Alzheimers Society. Dress code optional

CLARK

Michael John Dudley (Mike)

Peacefully on 28th February 2019 at the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, Mike of Ogmore Drive, Nottage, Porthcawl the beloved husband to Margaret. The much loved father to John and Paul, dear father-in-law to Louise, loving Papa to Elizabeth and Lucy. Also great grandfather Papa to Corey, Megan, Ryan and Amelia.

Mike will be sadly missed by his close family and friends.

Resting at Glanafan Court Funeral Home until funeral service at Margam Crematorium Wednesday, 13th March at 11.30am. Family flowers only please. March at 11.50am. ramily flowers only prease.
Donations, if so desired, may be sent to Parkinsons
Disease, 215 Vauxhall Bridge Road, London, SW1V 1EJ.
All enquiries to Port Talbot & Margam Funeralcare,
50 Margam Road, Margam, Port Talbot, SA13 2BN,
Tel 01639 883688.

ANDERSON

Nigel Gerald (Slippers)

Peacefully at The Manor House, St Hilary, Cowbridge on 23rd February 2019. Loving husband of Anne, much loved father of Judith, Stephen and Carolyn and a wonderful grandfather to Rosie, Michael, James-Louis, James and Edward.

Service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend Thursday, 14th March 2019 at 1.15pm. Family flowers only please. Donations in his memory can be made to Leukaemia UK, 7-14 Great Dover Street, London SE1 4YR.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Thomas Bros, Cowbridge. Tel 01446775681.

JENKINS-GARNIER Josephine Anne

Jo passed away peacefully in Jersey on 8th February, aged 54 years with her loving Pete by her side.

Funeral service at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge on Tuesday, 12th March at 12 noon, followed by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium.

No flowers by request. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Jersey Hospice Care, Clarkson House, Le Mont, Cochon, St Helier, Jersey, JE2 3JB.

BRADBURY Philip

It is with great sadness the family announce te death of Phil. Loving son of Ivan and the late Malinda. Much loved brother, uncle and great uncle.

Phil be sadly missed by all family and friends. Funeral service at Coychurch Crematorium on Friday, 15th March at 1.15pm. Family flowers only. Black attire optional.

WILLAN **Dorothy Mary** (née Cain)

Peacefully on 22nd February, Dorothy of Miskin, Pontyclun; beloved wife of Paul, loving mother of Nigel, dear mother-in-law of Tracy and much loved grandmother of Megan and Aled.

Will be sadly missed by her family and friends.
Funeral Wednesday, 13th March, service at
St David's Church, Miskin at 12.30pm, followed
by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend
at 1.45pm.

Family flowers only, donations if so desired for ementia UK c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun CF72 8PN. (Tel 01443 223368).

FISHER

Peacefully at home on Sunday, 24th February, aged 78 years. Much loved wife of Dave, mother of Julie, Jo, Gina and Sian. A wonderful mother-in-law and amazing granny to Sam, Megan, Harri, Rukh, Raif, Sai, Rhys, Bethan, Seren, Mollie and Josh.

Sadly missed by her many, many friends. Private family cremation, followed by a memorial service at Peterston-Super-Ely Church on Wednesday, 13th February at 2.30pm.

No flowers by request but donations in memory of Viv can be made to City Hospice, Whitchurch Hospital Grounds, Park Road, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF14 7BF or donate online on their website

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SAIT Bevan John

Peacefully after a short illness on Thursday, 21st February at home in Llantwit Major. Loving husband of Wendy, he will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Wednesday, 13th March, service and cremation 2.45pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

No flowers by request, donations if desired to Marie Curie. The family request no black attire.

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Family Notices

HEASMAN David Alan

David, my beloved son, was taken ill at the end of his Cypriot holiday and taken to Larnaca Hospital where he eventually died 10 days later on 1st February 2019.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 12th March, service and cremation 11.30am at Coychurch

Crematorium, Bridgend.

Donations in memory of David if desired, to Cancer
Research UK c/o the funeral director.

Acknowledgements

LEWIS Pastor Glyn

Glyn's family would like to thank all family, Giyn's family would like to thank air family, friends, neighbours and the members and ongregation of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church who attended his funeral. As a family we have been touched and overwhelmed by the love, kindness and support shown to us all during this sad time.

Thank you to Pastor Ken Iveson for conducting a beautiful service celebrating Glyn's life. Thank you to Lyndsay Ellis and his team at Vale Funeral Services for arranging this with the utmost professionalism and dignity.

EBERT John

John's family wish to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the support, cards, flowers and messages of sympathy received during this time of sadness.

Additional thanks go to Lyndsay Ellis and staff, the Reverend Melanie Prince and Nicola Hopkins.

LONG John

Hilda and family would like to thank all relatives and friends for attending the funeral and for their condolences, good wishes and kind messages received during this difficult time.

Additional thanks to the Reverend Stephen Adams, the Cowbridge Paramedics and W. H. Preene & Son, Funeral Services.

KILLICK

Linda

Bob, John and Mark would sincerely like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards of condolence and generous donations to Linda's chosen charities which amounted to an exceptional £1370.

Also thank you to all the staff at Marie Curie Hospice Penarth for their care and kindness. A very big thank you to Fr Edwin Counsell for the beautiful service he delivered and to Mathias for all his support

Finally, thank you to James Tovey of Tovey Bros Funeral Services for his support and guida

Thank you



Chris Westall

would like to say a big thank you to her three girls, Sue, Jude and Colette for a wonderful 80th Birthday Surprise Day and presents.

Love you all, love Mum xxx

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In Memory

In Memory O'CONNOR Alesha-Marie

Four years to the night that never ends. 7th March 2015

We will live with the pain until we meet you again. Miss and love you so so much Leshy-Lou.

Mum and Dad xxx

In Memory O'CONNOR

I love and miss you so much Alesha, there is not a day goes by that I am not thinking of you and the happy times we had.

God Bless mv Angel All my love Nanna Nancy xxx

In Memory O'CONNOR Alesha

Four years have passed since you were taken from us, leaving behind happy memories of our beautiful niece

God Bless Alesha Aunty Wendy & Uncle Joe

In Memory

O'CONNOR Alesha

7th March 2015 No verse can say, no flowers can repay, how much we lost four years today. Love and miss you loads, Lesh. Uncle Steve & Babs xxx

In Memory O'CONNOR

Alesha

7th March 2015

'Leashy-Lou'

We can't believe four years have passed since the day you left and broke our hearts. Everyday we wish it wasn't real, whenever we think of it, pain is all we feel.

Keep dancing with the angels.

Love Aunty Linny & Uncle Neil xxx

In Memory O'Connor Alesha

7th March 2015

Shine bright like a diamond, as you did in life.

In Memory O'Connor Alesha

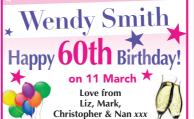
Beautiful and happy memories of our beautiful cousin, inside and out. Sadly missed, David, Dee, Georgia, Kiean & Deano xxx

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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE LICENSING ACT 2003

Ne. HDC Services Ltd do We, HDC Services Ltd do hereby give notice that we have applied to The Licensin Authority (Vale of Glamorgar Council) for the grant of a premises licence at 2 Westgate, Cowbridge

Westgate, Cowbridge known as Harry's.
The licensable activities on the sale and supply of alcohol, regulated entertainment. Trading times are as follows,

times are as follows.
Sunday to Thursday 7am
until midnight and Friday
and Saturday 7am until 1 an
all days will have 30
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Any person(s) wishing to
make representations to this
application may do so in
writing to the Licensing
Department, Vale of
Glamorgan Council,
Civic Offices, Holton Road,
Barry CEFG 3RIL or bw Barry, CF63 4RU, or by email to licensing@ waleofglamorgan.gov.uk not later than 28 days after the date of this notice (as below). Representation received after his date will not be

A copy of the Application can be viewed at the Civic Offices De viewed at the Civic Offices during normal office hours. It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make false statements in connection with its application, the maximum ine on summary conviction peing £5,000.

Signed: Hayley Donaldson Date: 26/02/2019

PUBLIC NOTICE LICENSING ACT 2003

To whom it may concern, I, Margaret Studt do hereby give notice that we have applied to The Licensing Authority (Vale of Glamorgan Council) for the grant of a premises licence at Friars Road, Barry, CF62 STR known as The Rock Island Diner (formerly The Dolphin). The licensable activities will be a The licensable activities will be, the sale and supply of alcohol on and off the premises and the provisior of late night refreshment between 08.00 and 00.00

Mon to Sun. Mon to Sun.
Any person(s) wishing to
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Interviews to take place on Wednesday 27th March 2019.

For more information and an application pack ease call the Town Clerk, Ceri Anderson on . 01446 773385 or email anderson@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk

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10 sees the return has twice won here in of an extraordinary test of endurance, the Barry Track the fifth time in a new 40 Miles and Barry record. If he has man-Marathon Track aged to arrive injury-free, Race, at the Jenner he will be hard to beat. Stadium.

Racing over such rduous distances arduous pre-dates the modern Olympic Games and was very popular in the mid- and late 19th century. In Wales too, many such races were held in Maindy Stadium, Cardiff and the first subfour hour 40 miles was achieved there in 1967.

The local equivalent at Barry was first held on the cinder track in 1986 and was won by local athlete Mick Mick McGeoch who remains the race director today.

After converting the track to a synthetic surface the following year, the Barry 40 has been held every year, and has earned its place as a cult event on the global ultra calendar.

In the previous 32 editions no less than 62 world best performances have been set, and three Barry winners have gone on to win global titles - Carolyn Hunter-Rowe (1993), Simon Pride (1999) and Lizzy Hawker (2006).

The Barry Marathon was created in 2017 as an opportunity for those who would find themselves unable to complete 40 miles in the allotted time, and has proved

a popular under card. Two-time win-Steven (Bournemouth AC) is competes for Barry & unable to defend his title Vale Harriers, where this year, which leaves he also coaches. In a potentially very open the past he has mainly race. Samantha Amend competed in the throws (Belgrave Harriers) and shorter distances, is the stand-out entry, with a longest distance and we could see an of Half Marathon in

Potentially the quick-est in the field is Grant Welsh record of 4:16:49. The race starts at 10am Cost in the field is Grant Jeans from Glasgow, Incredibly loyal to The race starts at 10am and admission is free.

SUNDAY, March today's event, Grant 2012 and 2015, and last August won the Strathaven 50 miler for

Nathan Flear (3Ms Gorseinon) has been runner-up for the last two years, as well as Welsh Champion. He has been training in both Kenya and Bulgaria lately and flies home especially for this race.

Norwegian-born Ake Fagereng is a scientist currently based at Cardiff University. Now 36, he has contested ultra races all over the world and most notably won the 2015 Racing the Planet Roving Race, 250km over six days in Ecuador. However, 40 miles on a track is a new experience, even for him.

As always incorporates the Welsh Ultradistance Championships, and five of the athletes qualify for that. The great thing about ultradistance is that every athlete has a tale to tell - a special reason for competing, if you like.

Such tales are invar-

iably inspiring. Syd Wheeler (Chepstow) comes to Barry to compete in the marathon, having completed a marathon every year since 1983. Syd has completed the 40 miles five times in the past between 1996-2002 and is now 81 years old!

Finally we welcome local man, Jason Elworthy, who competes Way in the T38 class. Jason outright lady winner. Cardiff, where he set a

Holton Road reach cup final

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the you to Jamie at Macron Cup and Ollie and Amanda at of the Martine Adams

They are working closely with Martine and her husband Scott (the team's goalkeeper) in her battle with a rare form of cancer. For more details on Martine's courageous journey please visit her Facebook page, she is Nisa/Vapestation store an inspiration to all at

Cadoxton Wildcats 2,



St David's Day celebrations at Brynhill Golf Club BRYNHILL Golf Club's golfing ladies, including toilet paper! Jan Robertson was voted along with past members and guests, winner and she and her dressers, Liz Taylor, Robbie

along with past members and guests, celebrated St David's Day by enjoy-

ing an evening of fun and laughter.
The lady captain, Jo Kirkpatrick welcomed everyone and made special reference to past members June Sanderson and Mo Merrick. Jo also welcomed guests, and noted that Rosina Butler and friends continue to support the ladies section. Before the ladies tucked into a delicious Welsh-themed dinner, Robbie Lee said grace in Welsh.

between courses, ladies competed in a hotly contested tabled quiz which was naturally based on all things Welsh. A mini Bingo competition followed dinner with Rosina winning.

The evening culminated with a Welsh Lady costume competition whereby three models were dressed by their three chosen dress-ers using an eclectic mix of Welsh decorations

The Barry and **District League** tables and results

CRIB DIVISION 1: Liberators 3; Cadoxton Social 149, Liberals 143, Wyndham Cons 137, West End Runaways Harbour B 68, Savoy A 134, Cadoxton Cons 68, Cadoxton Cons Z 131, West End 128, 58, Moors Boys 123. 5 Moors

Club 4; Liberals A 1, 35, Rhoose Social C 6; Mai Rhoose Liberals C 1; Rhoosters 2: 5, Barries Boys 2; Sea View Exiles 5, King William XII 2; Cambrian Flyers 1.5, West End D 5.5; Rhoose Social A 1.5, West End C 5.5. Exiles 97.5 West End C

League table: Sea View 90.0. West End D 89.5. Rhoosters 83.0, Allsorts 82.5, King William XII 78.5, Barry Town FC 78.0, Rhoose Social C 58, 78.0, Rugby Club 75.5,

Rhoose Social 8, Cons Z 1, Cadoxton West End Runaways Cons B 4; Penarth Cons Cadoxton Cons A 1, Savoy A 4; Rhoose Liberals 6; West Social B 2, West End End 7, Moors Boys 8. C 3; Market Street B 3, League table: Rhoose Wyndham Cons A 2. League table:

West End C 70, Wyndham Cons A 57, Cadoxton Cons SKITTLES DIVISION B 54, Penarth Cons A 45, Rhoose Social B

Slammers 3, Rugby 37, Cadoxton Wildcats 35, *Liberators 33, Market Street B 31, Social B 6, SNOOKER DIVISION

West End B 1, Services Social B 4; Penarth Cons B 4, Harbour A 1; West End A 1, Market Street C 4; Savoy B 2, Wyndham Cons D 3; Sully Sports A 2, Cadoxton Cons A 3. League table: Savoy В 66, Rhoose Social C 61, Penarth Cons B

60, Cadoxton Cons A 58, *Services Social B 56, Market Street C 54, Bridle 14 points. Rhoose Social A 74.0, Wyndham Cons D 53, Slammers 64.0, Rhoose Harbour A 48, West Social B 60.0, Liberals End A 41, Sully Sports Elephant: 1st Maxine Rhian Thomas 32.5 nett, Social B 60.0, Liberals End A 41, Sully Sports | Elephant: 1st Maxine Rhian Thomas 32.5 nett, A 53.5, Liberals C 52.5, A 38, West End B 31 | Hird 44-10.5 = 33.5 nett; 2nd Ruth Yates, Angela Barries Boys 51.5, (* = points deducted). Cambrian Flyers 33.0. View all results | 50-13 = 37; 3rd Lisa Davies 33 nett, 3rd S N O O K E R and league tables at Ryley 46-7.5 = 38.5, on Audrey Harwood, Terry DIVISION 1: Cadoxton Wildcats 2

Lee and Judy Davies, were presented with prizes.

The lady captain rounded off the evening by thanking everyone for attending plus special thanks to her vice-captain Lisa Taylor, who organized the mini bingo and Welsh Lady competition.

Winners of recent competitions were: Mud Glorious Mud played on February 19: Chris Hopkins, 17 points; St David's Day played on February 26: Audrey Phillips 18 points over the back seven from Jane Phillips.

Fixture chaos for Cowbridge RFC

WHEN season, the final league games were large type of the following staturday.

have meant the season fixture on each Saturday. matches

when Pentyrch called off 16 - it's all to play for. last Saturday's match on

for the next two interna-

fixtures on March 23 followed published by Tylorstown at home for the 2018-19 on March 30. We then

league games were
due to be played
on March 30. table with Fairwater
Postponements, and Treharris winmainly due to weather ning comfortably last looking very strong in has now stretched to third place on 52 points the end of April with a having played just 12 Cowbridge It was therefore are on 55 from 15 and extremely disappointing Fairwater on 65 from

Finally, good luck to Friday evening due to Wales on what promises lack of players - another to be an epic end to the match to re-arrange! Six Nations. A reminder There are no matches that all the games or the next two interna- will be shown at the tional Saturdays so the Clubhouse where there next game for the firsts will be a great welcome.

Dinas Powys Golf Club ladies section results

ON February 5, a nine hole Stableford nine hole Stableford: 1st was 1st Ruth Yates 16

points, 2nd Sally Livsey Davies 15 points, 3rd Sue

JW Brown.

On February 19, a held: Sam Saunders 18 points Faulkner's eight-yearon back six from 2nd old Mister Robbo, which Lisa Ryley 18 points, 3rd Maxine Hird 17 points.

On February 26, a nine hole Texas Scramble: 1st

The Turf with **Brian Lee**

On and Off

L A N D S M A N, the horse ran.

trained by Aberthin's ridden by stable Tudor was pulled up. February

Chapman.

Followers of Bargoed's David Probert had plenty to smile about at Wolverhampton on Tuesday evening.

He won on 14-1 chance Our Manekineko, 7-2 shot Swiss Storm and 6-4 chance Flaming Marvel, which David's punters were probably calling him!

BRACE'S LUDLOW WINNER

ing jockey, came in for plenty of praise when winning on Fergal O'Brien's Carrolls O'Brien's Carrolls Milan at Ludlow on Thursday, February 28.

A former national champion novice pointto-point rider, Connor got his mount home by a length from Gold Chain in the mares' handicap hurdle race.

Carrolls Milan was Cotswold trainer O'Brien's 35th winner of the season and was returned at odds of 5-1.

EDWARD BOOTS HOME ANOTHER WINNER

aged 11, son of Aberthin ridden by BW Bromley. National Hunt trainer Tim and Abbi Vaughan riding his grey mare FORMER Welsh pony White Water added racing champion and another win to his last season's novice many successes when winning the Stars of Tomorrow Stakes over nine furlongs at the Beaufort Hunt Pointat Didmarton last Saturday.

Buddys Girl (Elliot England) was second and Huntingdon on Sunday. O'Flynn's Daughter, ridden by the Vale's Daniel Ellis (14), was third.

season when landing the Intermediate race.

Riding led four fences from the finish, he went on to score by 15 lengths from 33-1 outsider Midnight Monkey.

by Moorcroft and was of the season.

Moorcroft said: "That Bowen

Tim BillyGwyn Too, partnered and by Merthyr Mawr's Jack

In the Club Members jockey Alan Johns, race, Bradley Gibbs on landed the maiden Moral Hazard jumped hurdle at far flung the last fence clear of Musselburgh Sarazen Bridge but the on Wednesday, latter ran on gamely on 27. the run-in, and, after what His backers had little seemed like a very long to fear as the strongly fan- time, it was announced cied six-year-old came that Sarazen Bridge's home 12 lengths ahead of rider Nick Phillips had Animore, ridden by Ross got his mount up on the line to win by a neck.

Phillips later took the Welsh-speaking jockey Restricted on the well-David Probert had backed Mankala, which won by three lengths from Barrafohona.

James King, 23, riding Oscar Bravo for Clare Lloyd Davies took the Open Maiden Race finishing eight lengths ahead of GetABuck.

The Young Horse Maiden went to the odds-on Hot To Trot CONNOR Brace from which led at the last Porthcawl, a 7lbs claim- and went on to beat the second favourite Arctic Milly by four lengths. Hot To Trot was partnered by Tamartha Worsley, 24, who has ridden around a dozen winners under Rules

> In the Conditions Race for Novice Riders, Jack Tudor, aboard David Brace's William Money, a former inmate of Tim Vaughan's yard, went off the favourite and went straight into the lead.

However, at the finish, he was some seven lengths adrift of the winner Vivaldi Collonges, an ex-National Hunt per-EDWARD Vaughan, former of note which was

CONNOR'S 40-1 WINNER

champion point-to-point rider Connor Brace put his flat racing experience to To-Point Steeplechases good use when landing the Racing TV Standard Open Race over two miles at

Riding A Book Of Intrigue, a 40-1 chance, for Cotswold's Fergal Cowbridge's Byron O'Brien, the six-year-Moorcroft chalked-up old, who was racing in his 11th winner of the public for the first time in 440 days, scored by a length from Chat To Tommy Charlie.

Ogmore-By-Sea's Christian Williams sent his Cap Du Nord on the 309-mile trip to Sedgefield where his six-year-old course and Mister Robbo, a 5-2 distance winner took chance, was well ridden the £18,768 Young Chasers Series Final Faulkner's fifth winner Handicap Chase under Pembrokeshire's James

was very easy and I'm Cap Du Nord went off delighted with the way the 9-4 joint favourite.





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The Vale of Glamorgan Football League round-up

TWO of the divisional cup finals are set, and Jenner Park will welcome the sides for the divisional show pieces as the sides battled it out this weekend.

Holton Road continue their chase for their treble, booking their Supporters Cup final spot as they shrugged off two successive league losses to show their class, as they defeated Cadoxton Imps 3-0.

Holton Road will play Cadoxton Barry at Jenner Park as they comprehensively saw off Cwm Talwg 4-0. Penarth Town B made

the Dockers Cup final with an impressive 4-0 over league leaders AFC the top two, albeit hav-Rhoose B.

Penarth B have been in fine form as of late and they will play

Vale Madrid who have thrown league form out the window as they were victorious over Island Marine B 2-1.

In the historic ASRS Cup semi-final Island Marine notched a 2-0 victory over Cowbridge Town - they head to Jenner Park to play the winner of AFC Rhoose and Penarth Town in the other semi-final this weekend.

Only two league games were played this weekend, as Cardiff Airport continued their recent rival as they edged Cogan Coronation 2-1 to move three points behind Cogan in fourth.

Finally, St Athan B kept up the pressure on ing played two games more, with a 4-3 win over Cadoxton Athletic

Golfers enjoy a 'reverse waltz'

IN their main com- Gareth Jones and secpetition of the week, tion chairman, Gordon 33 members of St. Mary's Golf Club's senior section teed off in a scheduled off in a scheduled Just one point better team Waltz (1,2,3) with 81 points was the competition.

In the normal waltz Mike Cook and Eddie format the teams of three Fothergill. With a fine players record the best score of 83 points, howone of the three scores ever, the win was secured on the first hole, the best two on the second and Philips (who made net all three on the third eagle on the 15th) and hole, that same sequence then being maintained Jones through the full course of 18 holes.

however, the members normal winter weather decided to reverse the restored, just 11 hardy order to 3,2,1, a format members braved the popularly dubbed 'Dusty teeming rain to tee off in Bin' by the members who are mostly all of competition which was that certain age.

Sweaters were soon discarded in the record end of February temperatures and the players with, once again, all took full advantage of the three placings bettering ideal scoring conditions.

The majority of the 20 teams returned scores better than the nominal Jones took third place.
par of 72 stableford Section captain, Dave points for an average of Hughes two scores counting per points for second place, hole. The three placings just one behind long-hit all broke 80 points with ter Graham Jones' third spot going to the points team of Andrew Lane,

Martin, who repeated his feat of the previous week by bagging another brace of birdies.

team of Roger Hatton, Roy Denton, Steve new member, Malcolm

Two days later, in their second competition On this occasion of the week and with an individual stableford sensibly reduced to just 10 holes.

The scoring belied the unpleasant conditions the nominal par score of

With 21 points Trefor

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Gymnasts celebrate medal success at championships!

YMCA **Gymnastics** are ecstatic with most recent results from their male artistic gymnastics squad.

On February 23, YMCA Barry gymnasts competed in the annual Welsh Gymnastics Championships where the highest level gymnasts in Wales came together to compete.

In the youngest cat-egory of the day, the egory of the under-10s, YMCA
Barry had four gymnasts
Zhao-Kai
Cliffon, Barry hau I...
compete, Zhao-Nu.
Wilcox, Harley Clifton,
Yartins Kononovs
Watkins.

Even at their very young age, all four gymnasts did themselves proud and showing great maturity in their perfor-mances. All of the boys competed on the six male gymnastics apparatus, Floor, Vault, Rings, Parallel Bars, High Bar and the Pommel Horse.

Within the individual apparatus events, the YMCA Barry gymnasts received top six placings on every apparatus with Martins who secured third on Floor, fifth on Rings, fifth on Vault, fifth on Parallel Bars.

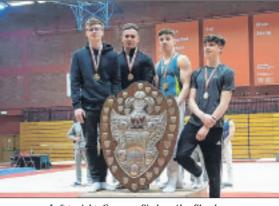
Zhao-Kai received sixth on Floor, third on Pommel Horse, sixth on Rings and Welsh team champions! every apparatus results sixth on Parallel Bars. Within the under-16's Campson, received

Harley claimed fourth on Floor, sixth on Pommel Horse, fourth on Rings, sixth on Vault and fourth on Parallel Bars.

Jacob received second on High Bar, second on Vault and fantastically became the under-10s Welsh Champion on the Floor, Rings, Parallel Bars and Pommel Horse

In the all-around event which is all of the six apparatus combined, Martins claimed ninth, Zhao-Kai fifth, Harley fourth and Jacob became the overall under-10s champion! Welsh

Finally, within the demonstrated all amazing team category, boys supported



Left to right: Cameron Sinden, Alex Shanhan, Josh Cook and Harri Morgan.



Left to right Zhao-Kai Wilcox, Jacob Watkins, Martins Kononovs and Harley Clifton.

Within the under-16's category, Rhys Griffiths third on Vault, fourth on competed despite only Floor, fifth on Pommel being able to compete Horse, fifth on Rings, on three pieces of apparatus due to an injury.

Rhys did not let this phase him, showing his determination and competed faultlessly. Rhys received sixth place on Rings and became place on High Bar. under-16s High

Bar Welsh champion.
Within the senior Sinden, Alex Shanahan, some gymnastics.

In the individual appathe under-10s mates and featured on Olympian Brinn Bevan

fourth on Parallel Bars and sixth on High Bar.

Alex claimed fifth place on Vault. Harri secured fifth on Floor. sixth on Rings, sixth on Parallel Bars and third Josh Cook sustained

his consistency received second on Vault, second on Floor, second on Josh Cook and Harri Horse, second on Rings, Morgan competed at second on Parallel Bars the highest level and and second on High Bar. In the All Around

competition, Harri was sixth Cameron fifth each other throughout ratus, the senior gym- and Josh won the silver uk or fi the competition and nasts followed their team medal, narrowly behind media

In the team event. Cameron received Cameron, Alex, Josh and Harri became the Welsh senior team champions and received the prestigious Welsh Gymnastics Men's Artistic shield

A fantastic achievement for YMCA Barry Gymnastics Club and a huge congratulations to all the gymnasts and their personal coaches Peter Haysham and Bradley Haysham.

For more information on YMCA Barry Gymnastics please call 01446 724000, email sophie@vmcabarry org uk or follow us on social @ymcabarry.

Llantwit Major **AFC** reserves finally defeated

Metropolitan centre forward scored Major reserves with a 3-1 victory. Cardiff Met dominate

15 seconds, as a clever exchange of passes exchange of passes between Chris Vinson, Nathan Renfree and Josh Morgan led to winger Morgan Gore in on goal only to see his effort wide of the sticks.

The home side stayed on top and enjoyed a good spell of possession with both wingers Gore and Vinson providing they were searching for. excellent crosses for their team, however Josh through again on they had no success goal, and this time he the Met's defence sniffed out all the danger which came their way.

After the 20 minute mark Cardiff Met found their stride and it was attack saw keeper Sam their opposing number towards their own goal.

Sam and the defence stood tall until the remaining Llantwit are half-hour point, when eyeing a top seven finish the students broke

CHAMPIONS - the deadlock with a Cardiff counter attack as their

came Before the break to Windmill Lane selves some luck when their Cardiff Met had their straight corner scrambled off the league win over the line with everyone bar stubborn Llantwit the referee seeing it was with Jordan Davies' arm.

The second half saw kicked off proceedings half-chances in front of goal. However it positively and created goal. However it was their first chance within Llantwit who had a glorious chance for an equaliser on 70 minutes. great work from Stephen Phillips lifted the ball through to Josh as he looked to lob the keeper from several vards out.

The visitors add their second moments after but Llantwit managed hit back in quick fashion to get the goal

Phillips played smashed the ball past the stranded keeper. With the reserves openly searching for the equaliser, the students broke and sealed a 3-1 away win.

the Major defence on the Credit must go the back foot. Attack after Llantwit Major team who fought through-Mawhinney on alert and out the game, with the back three of Glyn every player working Davies, Colm Garrett extremely hard for each and Joe Cutter chased other. The run of six games without defeat for the reserves comes to an end, but with four games

Barrivale Bridge Club news

Barrivale Club WBU sims 733425 or 01446 735592 heat on February 26 are as follows:

Barrivale sims heat: First, Diana Adrian Trickey, 63.75 per cent; second Noelle Bond and Debbie Richards, 60.83 per cent; third, Denis Mottram and Mark Roderick, 59.17

The handicap winners were Linda and Sue.

New members partner may be arranged, Barry CF63 4AP. if required. If you would

THE results for the like to join the club,call Bridge 01446 418380, 01446 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry at 7pm on Tuesday

Players inexperienced or new to bridge playing may attend the following sessions: Friday 10am (doors open 9.45am) at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play or Thursday afternoons for assisted play from 1.30-4pm at the Barry Uniting always welcomed and a Church, Heol v Llongau.

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They're going to be a part of it - Barry Town United reach Welsh Cup semi-final!

START spreading the news – Barry Town United are into the JD Welsh Cup semi-finals, after a trip to New York proved just the tonic for striker Kayne McLaggon.

Pitted against a and Clydach Vale in Saturday's televised quarter-final, McLaggon flew back across the pond that same morning in order to make the tie, after successfully proposing to his girlfriend in the Big Apple.

The sharpshooter then shrugged off any transatlantic jet-lag to bag himself an impressive hat-trick helping his side to an entertaining 3-2 triumph at Jenner Park and setting up a semi-final showdown with fellow six-time winners TNS

Barry's second semi-final in seven years and the 17th in their history will play out on the final weekend of March, at a neutral venue to be announced.

Having reaped the benefits of a home draw in each of the previous rounds Barry began Saturday's quarter-final in formidable fashion and would take an eighth-minute lead when marksman McLaggon latched



Kayne McLaggon converts to complete his hat-trick - see more pictures from RHYS SKINNER at glamorgan-gem.co.uk/sport.

the Clydach midfield

Touray, before Bradley

did enough to hold off

McLaggon, whose shot

was wayward. Cotterill would also

come close to scoring,

occasional leading man

would shine brightest

as a supporting player,

McLaggon's terrific tre-

ble and greasing Barry's

path to the semi-final

After a double

64th minute saw Troy

Greening and Drew

Fahiya join the fray,

through a crowd of

the bottom corner.

McLaggon rose to meet another Cotterill free-

kick, nodding his header

Clydach defenders, into

The combination of

Cotterill and McLaggon

for the third time, as an

In the 78th minute,

With 10 minutes to

Jones had seen a well-

taken volley whizz past

incisive ball on the deck

then came up trumps

substitution in the

helping facilitate

stage

but on this night the

to tee up teammate

onto Jordan Cotterill's free-kick

Seizing the initiative. there were quickly opportunities to make it two, with Robbie Patten dispatching a delightful ball over the top, allow-ing Cotterill to play in Jonathan Hood at the back post.

However, the path of the pass would some-how elude the former Port Talbot Town talisman, who would see a golden chance cleared off the line later in the half.

Having weathered the early turbulence, Cambrian struck back on the half-hour, as captain Mark Crutch set piece from Cameron Keetch, heading the visitors from Welsh

League Division One back onto level terms

Nevertheless, Barry remained a threat up front, with McLaggon going close to snaring his second and teammate Mo Touray forcing an excellent save from returning, and long-serving, Town goalkeeper Dan Bradley in the Clydach goal. Four minutes before

the break, another former Barry player made a sizeable impact, as midfielder Sam Jones raced onto a through ball, beating the offside trap and rounding goalkeeper Mike Lewis to slot home, putting Cambrian 2-1 ahead.

Staring exit in the face Barry would be forced to attack the second-half, with effort and keep Barry's goal advantage intact.

From the subsequent corner, Cambrian then looked to bundle the ball over the Barry goalline, though unfortunately for the visitors. they took goalkeeper Lewis with it, with substitute Richard French penalised for the foul instead

In the closing moments, manager Gavin Chesterfield gave a home debut to Wales under-21 international Rhys Abbruzzese, though the full-back will have to wait for another day to make his mark at Jenner Park.

Though McLaggon could well have had his fourth by the end, he and his Barry happy with the nature of their comeback victory, while conscious of the challenge now posed by professionals TNS at the end of the month.

Riding high in the JD Welsh Premier once more, the champions come to Jenner Park for a Phase Two league encounter on Saturday. April 13, by which time we will know which of the sides will challenge for a seventh Welsh Cup trophy.

League matters take priority again this week end though, as Barry incurred on their last visit to Latham Park in in either half proved the Town's undoing

with second-placed TNS facing off with leaders Connah's Quay Nomads on Deeside at 5.15pm.

point after scare

Barry win bonus

JUDITH DUTTON was on hand to capture the match action - see more pictures at glamorgan-gem.co.uk/sport.

BARRY RFC finally overcame resilient visitors Heol Y Cvw in a tense match at the Reservoir Field last Saturday.

The result was in doubt up to the final minutes with Barry having to dig deep to get the victory by 33 points

Playing with the elements in their favour in the first half. Barry gradually built up a lead with a John Miles try and a conversion plus three penalties from Einan Scott and looked comfortable with the scoreline at

With the Cyw playing an expansive game and keeping the ball moving, Barry had to be on their guard against attacks from deep and slowly the visitors started to apply pressure on the home defence

They were rewarded as Barry conceded two quick penalties from where they ran out of defenders as the visitors crossed for a converted try.

Barry came back from the restart but the visitors' defence was solid, denying them any chance to add to their score as the final minutes of the half were even and the score remained at 16-7 as the whistle went to end proceedings.

With the elements against them, Barry began the second period on the attack but a promising move broke down in the visitors' 22 from where they counter-attacked, making their way into the home 22.

Barry won the lineout, but the clearance rebounded into the arms of a Cyw player for a simple try and conversion bringing the score to

Buoyed by their good fortune, Cyw brought on some forward replacements who immediately made an impression as the Barry scrum was put in reverse, causing them to concede a penalty.

Barry were penalised again as Cvw drove the lineout from which a quickly taken penalty caught the Barry defence off guard saw them cross for an unconverted try but importantly the lead at 16-19.

With the game finely balanced Barry seemed to gather themselves and forced Cvw to concede a penalty. Rather than go for goal, they opted AC for the corner.

Winning the ball they drove at the visitors with the backs joining in as well with Alyn Evans finding his way in for the try which was unconverted.

Stung into action, Cyw went straight back into the attack and some strong midfield running and poor defence allowed them to cross for an unconverted try. The scoreboard now read 21-24 in the visitors' favour.

The all-action style of Cyw was unsettling Barry and minutes later they conceded a penalty as the visitors opened up a six point gap.

Entering the final minutes, Barry went into overdrive and from the restart worked their way into the visitors' 22 where this time they won a penalty.

Taking a leaf from Cyw, James Hadfield took it quickly to crash over for a try, which, when Einan Scott converted, saw Barry in the lead at

The restart saw Barry get a penalty taking play deep into the visitors 22, where from the lineout which followed they drove hard to the line where Tom Perry got the touchdown for the unconverted try.

This proved to be the last move of the game as the the referee blew the final whistle to end the match, leaving Barry with the spoils and a hard earned victory of 33-27 for a muchneeded bonus point win. With seven games to play, Barry

are still in the promotion mix Unfortunately, six of those games are away from home making the task that much more difficult.

Barry have games in hand over all the sides above them due to earlier season postponements. They play the first two of these on Friday, March 8 when they travel to Aberdare for a 7pm kick off, followed by a visit to Llanharan on Friday, March 15, again with a 7pm kick off.

The lottery rolls over again this week to £3,850 as last week's numbers of 06, 09, 16 and 17 failed to produce a winner. Four tickets matched three numbers for a £10

Barry and Districts Mens Skittles League

Geest 284 (R Finlay 29), Merrymen 277 (A Pearce 30); Bunker Boys 303 (A Jeynes 32), Billy Whizz 264 (M Ingram 30); KP Rejects 326 (M Dando 39), Posties 348 (M Churchill 36); Blue Monkey 259 (D Mccarthy 28), 49ers 289 (S Baggott 33); British Rail 283 (S Scott 28), Cannon Balls 264 (G Curry 34); Willie Wombles 288

1: DIVISION 2:

BP Breakaways 250 (M Rees 29), Barry Park B 272 (P Gould, Witchill M Hollingsworth 28); Mighty Dockers 247 (K Enticott 27), Cavaliers 249 (G Stephenson, B Kilgour, P Douglas 24); H Bells 284 (B Crockford 32), Tynny Lads 287 League (D Kerslake 30); Park Rangers Lads 265 (S Jones 26), Bluebirds 20, Exiles 263 (A Collins 31); Ex-Servicemen 231 (B Saunders 26), Witchill Poachers Willie Wombies 200 231 (B. Saunuers 20), (B. Gratton 30), Sea Witchill Poachers View 320 (J. Stokes 36). 247 (R. Tamlyn 26). League table: 49ers 34, Geest 24, Posties Lads 28, Cavaliers 22, H. Stoke 24, Posties Poachers Boys

34, Geest 24, Posties Lads 28, Cavaliers 22, H Royalists 15, Gleinflows 20, Merrymen 16, Bells 20, Hairy Lemons Flyers 12, CUD 10, Bunker Boys 16, Billy 18, Mighty Dockers Master Mariner 0. Whizz 15, Sea View 16, Barry Park B 16, 15, Blue Monkey 14, Tynny Lads 15, Witchill British Rail 13, Willie Poachers 14, Colcot Wombles 13, KP Rejects Boys 14, Ex-Servicemen barryleagues.co.uk. 12, Cannon Balls 8. 14, Exiles 13, BP

341 (B Allen 36), Park Rangers 353 (S Dite 36); Billy Bluebirds 267 (A Dyer 30), Royalists 258 (A Evans, I Tambling 27) League table: Park

Billy Nuts 16. Nomads 15, Castle Abercrete 14, Alternatives 14 Royalists 13, Glenbrook

from the former neatly played in the latter, allowing McLaggon to skip by a defender and Nomads coolly complete his hat-trick.

Touray looked to put the outcome beyond doubt, but his attempt was blocked by an outstretched leg, as the 2019 Nathaniel MG Cup finalists kept Witchill their hopes of a second domestic final alive into the game's latter stages. play, hope sprang anew for the visitors, after

> Lewis' goal. This time it was Camilo Strinati who took aim from a distance, but Lewis go

head up to Newtown, looking to avenge the disastrous 2-0 defeat October, as late goals

Kick-off is at 2.30pm,